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Stu Yew

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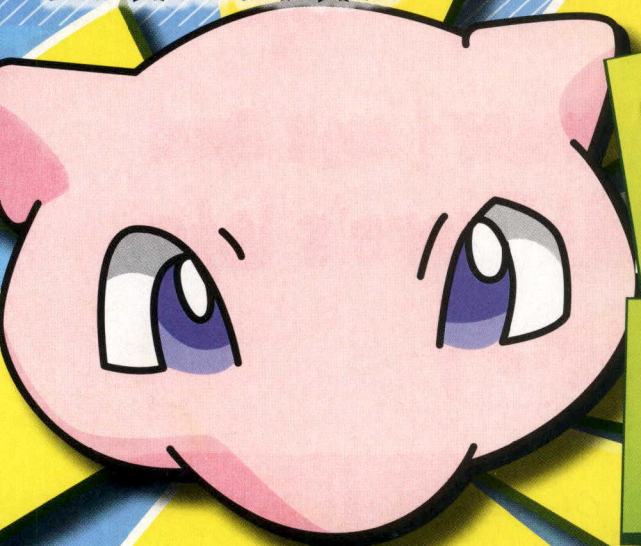
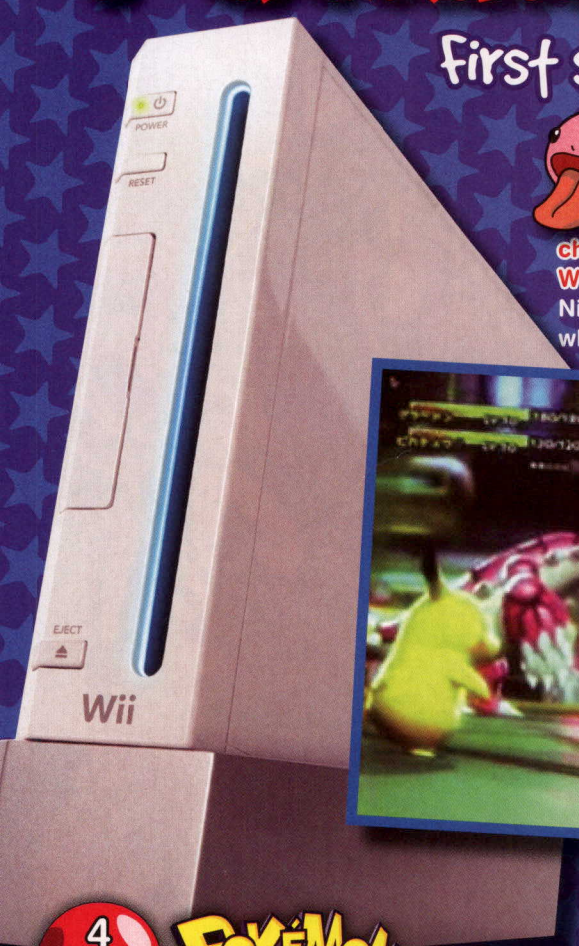


MEW'S NEWS

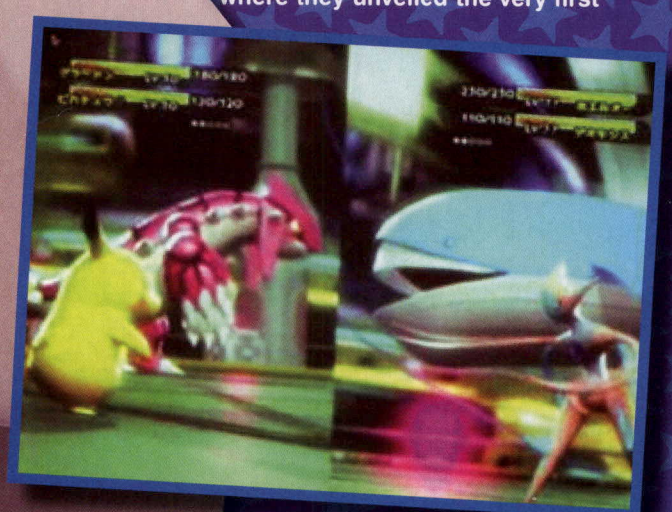
Lots of hot gossip from around the world of Pokémon this month. Sit back and relax on the beach, in your back garden, or wherever you like to read your Pokémon world and let us tell you all about it...

POKÉMON ON WII

First sighting of a Next Gen Pokémon game!



So the Nintendo Wii is it then, the Big N confirmed at the E3 show in Los Angeles back in May that they had **changed the name of Revolution to Wii**. Forget E3 though, this month Nintendo had a big meeting in Japan where they unveiled the very first screenshot of a **Next Generation Wii Pokémon game**! We could hardly believe our eyes as nothing as had been said at E3 about Pokémon on Wii. So here is that same screenshot for you to ponder over.

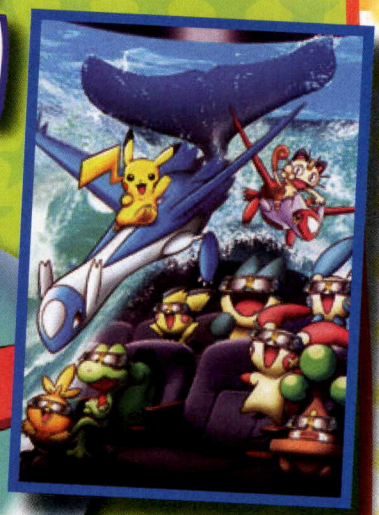


The game is called **Pokémon Battle Revolution** and Pikachu and his pals are looking really cool in super hi-res, don't you think? It will use the **same battle system as all the previous Nintendo-developed Pokémon games**, going right back to the Game Boy versions, and the Wii game will have some kind of **link-up capability with the Nintendo DS Diamond and Pearl** adventures.

So that's exciting then! There are so many new Pokémon games coming out from Nintendo over the coming months and years, we find it hard keeping up! Rest assured that you'll find out about them all on these pages first, so don't change that channel!

NEW POKÉMON 3D MOVIE RELEASED!

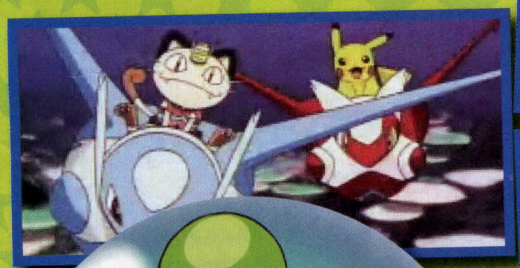
Follow up to Pokémon 3D Adventure: Find Mew!



The Japanese get all the fun! On 20 May the cinemas around the country screened a new 3D Pokémon mini-movie entitled Pokémon 3D Adventure 2: Pikachu's Big Undersea Adventure. The story goes a bit like this... Pikachu, Meowth and all the gang have decided to take a holiday on a southern island as they have a treasure map from Perap and hope to find some hidden booty! There's a large cross on the map that shows the whereabouts of a sunken ship that carries a treasure known as Wailord's Tears.

On reaching the ship Pikachu decides to use the psychic powers of Latios and Latias to help undercover the treasure. Will he succeed? Well unless you happen to be travelling to Japan any time soon, we don't know!

This is the second 3D mini-movie that has been released, the first being Pokémon 3D Adventure: Find Mew! Maybe if we all shout loud enough Nintendo and TV Tokyo who make the films will release them over here on DVD?

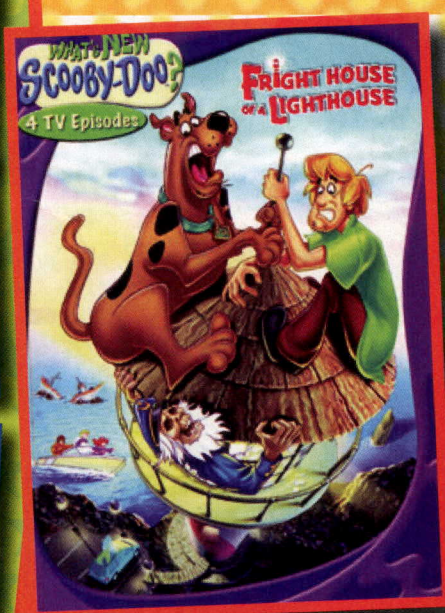


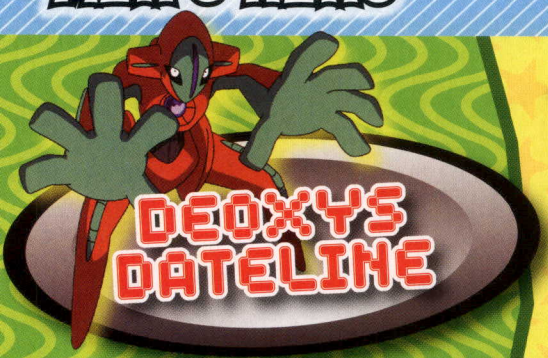
FOUR NEW SCOOBY-DOO EPISODES TO SNAP UP!

With a Summer Camp that goes by the name Comeiwannascareya, you would think the Scooby and the gang would have more sense than to book in for a fortnight's holiday, wouldn't you? This spooky antics adventure can be found along with three more on a new DVD set to release on 24 July called What's New Scooby-Doo? Frighthouse of a Lighthouse!

These new Scooby cartoons have the gang and their Mystery Machine all updated with laptop computers, mobile phones, global positioning equipment and PDAs. A far cry from the original cartoons where it was game over if Daphne lost her glasses!

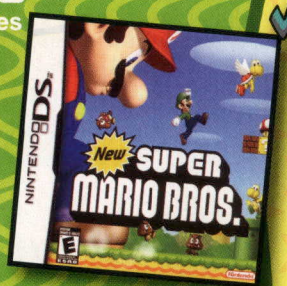
With an abandoned lighthouse to explore and nasty robots running amok along with a demon farmer to unmask, there's not going to be much time for scoffing Scooby snacks for Shaggy and Scooby this summer!





Learn all the important dates to remember this month...

30 JUNE



Nintendo releases the New Super Mario Bros game on this day. The game is absolutely fantastic and we heartily recommend it to all Pokémon World readers. You can read our full review over on page 18.

15 JULY

The Japanese magazine Pokémon Wonderland has a world exclusive on new Diamond and Pearl information. Their issue out on this date will be packed with new screenshots and juicy tidbits, albeit in Japanese!

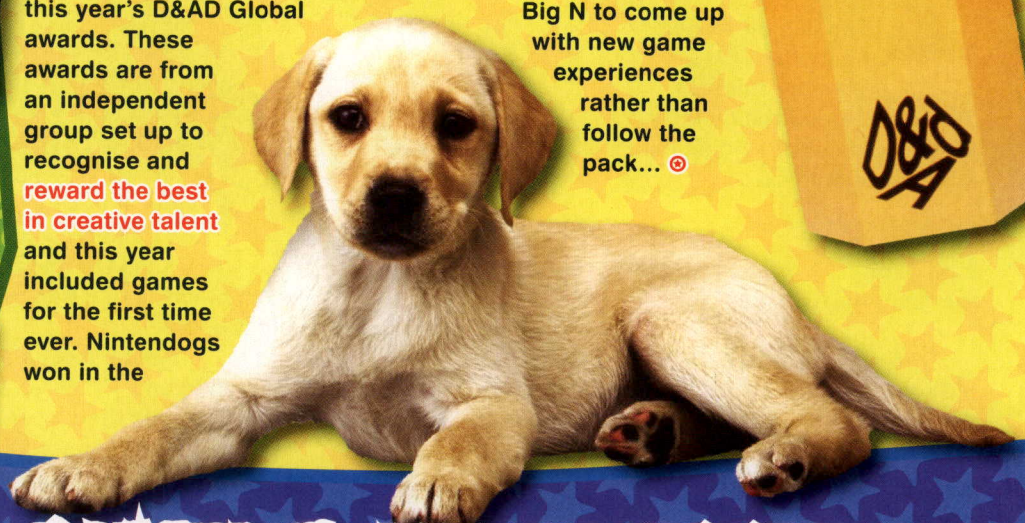
1 SEPTEMBER

Pokémon Organized Play remove older sets of Pokémon cards from play to encourage players to create new strategies. This year's tournament is to be Deoxys-on and kicks off on this date.

WOOF FOR NINTENDO!

A design award for Ninfendogs!

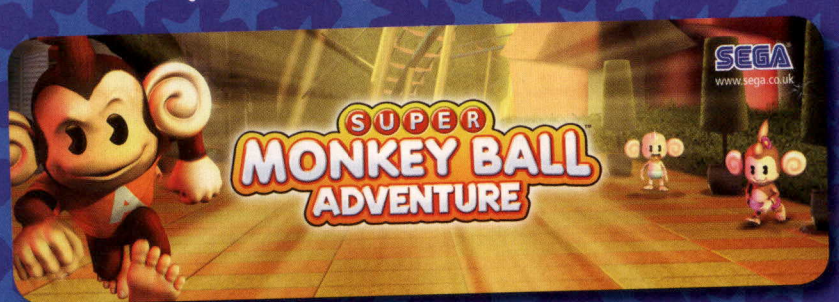
Everybody loves a shaggy dog story, and in the UK we all love our dogs! Now Nintendo has even more reason to love their Nintendogs as the clever dog simulation game has earned its creators a highly sought after 'Yellow Pencil' design award at this year's D&AD Global awards. These awards are from an independent group set up to recognise and reward the best in creative talent and this year included games for the first time ever. Nintendogs won in the category for portable gaming. Well done Nintendo, the game really deserves it. We can always count on the Big N to come up with new game experiences rather than follow the pack...



COMING NEXT ISSUE...

We help you back to school with an exclusive free gift from Sega!

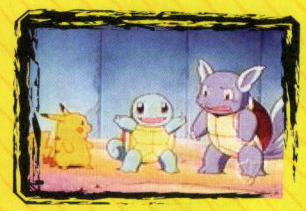
Those kind people at Sega have got something special in store for all faithful Pokémon World readers next issue – a Super Monkey Ball Adventure pencil tin, pencil, rubber and sharpener! The perfect item for going back to school, and a great follow up to this month's beachball. Hooray for Sega! Watch out for this issue on sale 3 August and available for all good newsagents and big supermarkets.



POKÉMON EPISODE GUIDE

#58 - Beach Blank-out Blastoise

When Ash and the gang come across a strange island in the middle of the ocean they can't understand why it's not on the map that Brock has. Ash notices that the island looks a lot like a Squirtle shell and on nearing the shore they find more shells dotted all about. What could be going on?



Wartortle is talking gibbish that no-one can understand!

On hugging the shell, Ash falls into a deep, deep sleep!

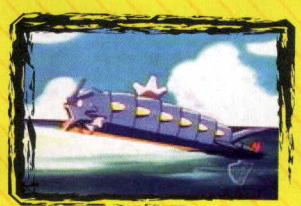
Pikachu wakes Ash up with a Thundershock. Pretty drastic really!

Team Rocket are never far behind, out to spoil the fun.

Everyone wants to capture Blastoise, but it's not too happy!

Meowth is sent from the Rocket submarine to grab the Pokémon.

Meowth also falls asleep and has to be reeled back in.



The Team Rocket submarine turns into a tank for the land...

...and they attack the turtle Pokémon, scaring Ash & Co!

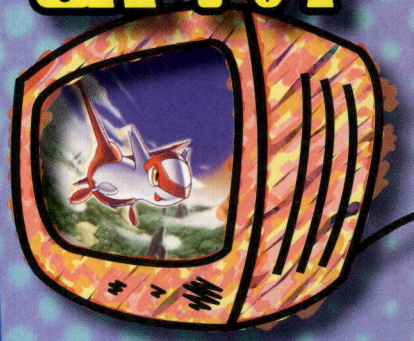
The team soon discover what has been making them sleepy.

It was a Jigglypuff, singing his sweet lullaby songs.

While asleep, the angry Jigglypuff draws on the team's faces!

Tune in next time for more Pokéaction!

WHAT'S ON TV?



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Every day, 6am

Continue the battle between Ash and his Poképals and those dastardly cads Team Rocket, if you're up early enough!

POKÉMON ADVANCED CHALLENGE

Every day, 8am

A much more leisurely time of day this, 8am, and a much more up-to-date set of cartoons to watch. Pokémon Advanced Challenge is packed with action.

CN CARTOON NETWORK

ROBOTBOY

Weekdays, 8am & 7pm

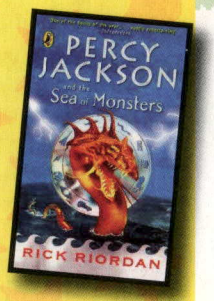
A new French cartoon that's worth checking out all about a super robot created by Professor Moshimo!

DOWN THE BOOK SHOP

More great books for you to read from Puffin...

PERCY JACKSON & THE SEA OF MONSTERS

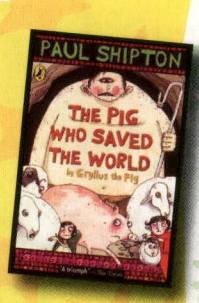
by Rick Riordan



Percy is the son of the Greek God Poseidon and finds himself at a summer camp that's about to be attacked by demons and monsters. Can he find the golden fleece in time to save the demi-god training camp?

THE PIG WHO SAVED THE WORLD

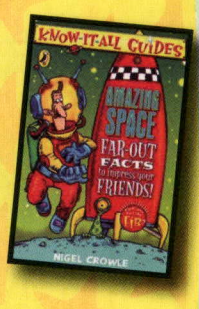
by Paul Shipton



Usual story... a man who has become a pig now wants to be a man again, but instead must save the world from the devilish Underworld. Packed with wit and a dodgy sense of hygiene, this book will give you lots of laughs!

KNOW-IT-ALL GUIDES

by Nigel Crowle



Do aliens exist? How do astronauts go to the toilet in zero gravity? Find out the answers to these questions and more in a new series of books from Puffin. They're Great fun!

JAPAN

Will you be my Pokémate?

Japanese Pokémon fans who also have a mobile phone can now use a colourful system called Pokémate, created by Square-Enix. It's a bit like a cross between email and a chat room, only everyone has a signature Pokémon!

AROUND THE POKÉMON WORLD

TAIWAN

Poképark is now open!

If your parents ask where you'd like to go on holiday this year, it has to be Taiwan! Poképark, the travelling Pokémon theme park is touring Asia right now and looks like a fantastic day out! See all about it for yourself at www.pokepark.tw

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screen burst!

Nintendo released so many exciting new screenshots of Pokémon games at the E3 show in Los Angeles last month that we thought we just had to show them off to you in all their glory, so a new section is born... Screen Burst!

Pokémon® DIAMOND & PEARL

The new DS Diamond and Pearl games will be backward compatible with the Game Boy Ruby, Sapphire, Emerald, FireRed and LeafGreen Pokémon games!

Console Nintendo DS
From Nintendo
Due out Don't know!

You'll be able to put your old Game Boy Pokémon games into the GBA slot on the Nintendo DS and use the Pokémon data you have stored there for the new game!

Players will start out their new adventure in Futaba Town.

Pokémon taking a starring role include Munchlax, Lucario and Mime Jr.

Pokémon Ranger

We have **no word on a UK release** of Ranger yet. Although it's not a true new Pokémon game, **it's great fun**, using the DS's capabilities well.

Players will start out their new adventure in Futaba Town.

Don't worry, there will still be plenty of Poké Battles!

The DS touch screen is used to draw attacks!

Ranger sees our heroes exploring the land of Fiore.

There are 218 Pokémon to capture in Ranger, that should keep us busy!

Console
Nintendo DS
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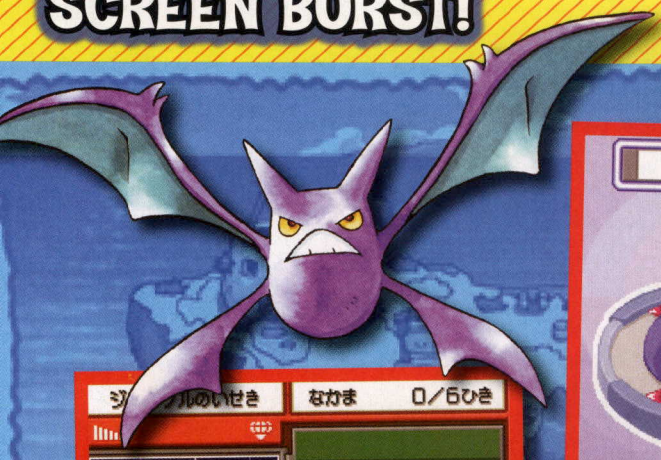
SCREEN BURST!



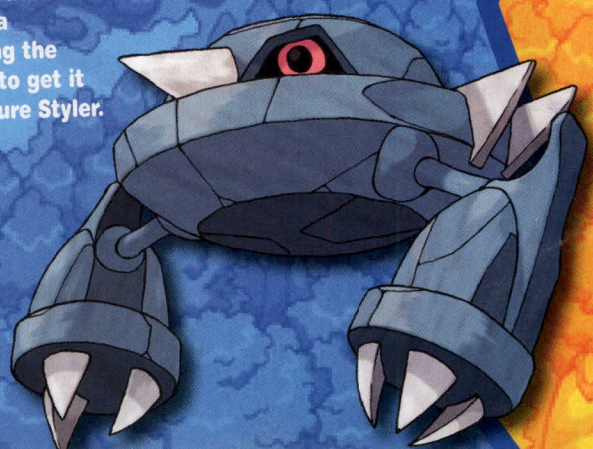
The Americans will get their hands on Ranger on 30 October.

You will come up against Team Go Go in Ranger, and they're tough!

You have to draw rings around a Pokémon using the touch screen to get it into the Capture Styler.

The Ranger Leader in Ring Town starts you off.

You must protect nature in this game!



Pokémon Mystery Dungeon BLUE RESCUE TEAM

Console Nintendo DS
From Nintendo
Due out 18 September

Mystery Dungeon Blue and Red are based on the popular Mystery Dungeon series of RPGs. They are bigger in Japan than over here so you might not have heard of them. ☺

You have been turned into a Pokémon in this game.

Completing dungeon challenges will return you to human form.

Any of the 386 Pokémon can star in your rescue force!

Pokémon Mystery Dungeon RED RESCUE TEAM

Console GBA
From Nintendo
Due out 18 September

The Game Boy Red and DS Blue Mystery Dungeon games are interlinkable with each other, and Blue also links with Pokémon Link!

You get a second Pokémon to tag along and form your rescue team.

The game is all about rising to the highest Ranger rank.

With wide open worlds, the trademark Pokémon intricate graphics and lots of Pokémon wandering around, this game will be well worth checking out.

To get the most out of the games you'll have to buy both versions... boo!

WIN! WIN! WIN!

Yo, ho, ho and a bottle of rum! Come July you'll be able to get your hands on the videogame of the blockbuster new movie starring Johnny Depp – Disney's Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest. Buena Vista Games has made a PSP, DS and GBA game of the movie so you can play pirates on the go! They've given us a sparkly new PSP and five copies of the PSP game to give away to those who know their pirate movies...

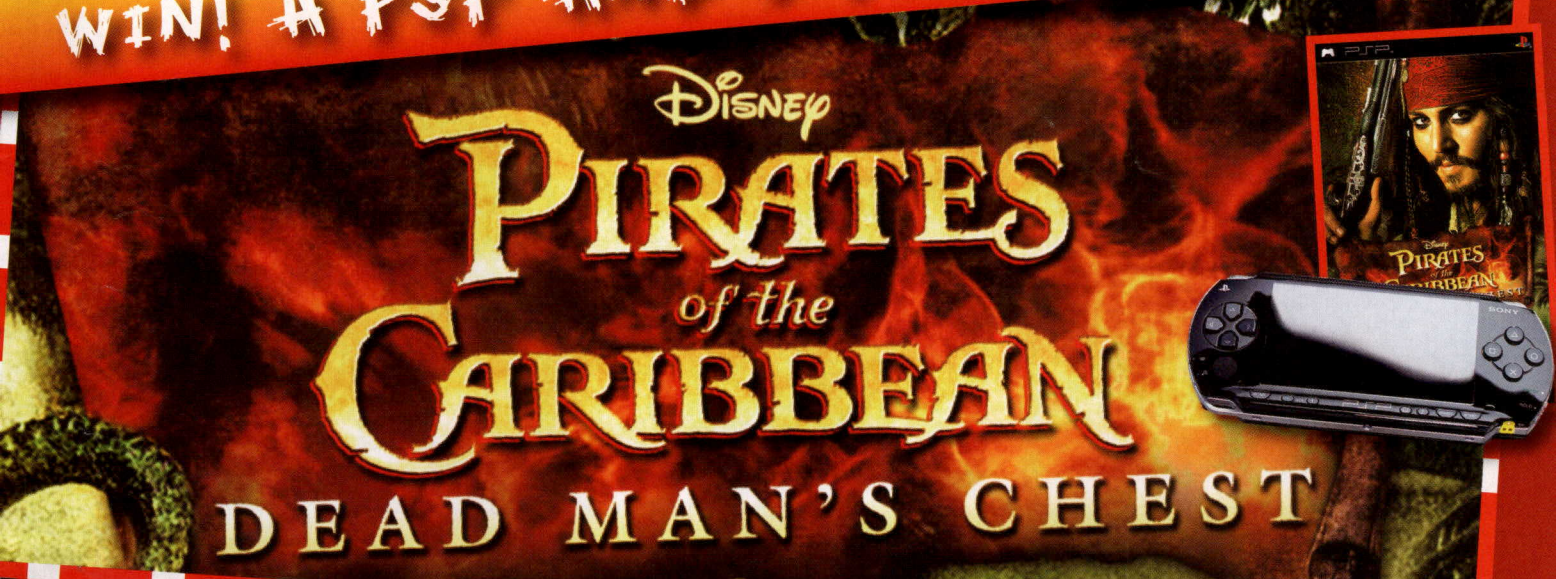
What's the name of the big boss pirate in the new Walt Disney movie?

A. Captain Ben Chaffinch
B. Captain Nick Jackdaw
C. Captain Jack Sparrow

Know the answer? Then email **pokemonworld@imagesdm.co.uk** or post to our usual address marking your letter '**Pirates Compo**'...

Put your name, address and age on your entry and get it to us by 21 September – good luck!

WIN! A PSP AND 5 PIRATES GAMES!



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NEW GAMES PREVIEWED AND REVIEWED ON ALL FORMATS!

VIDEOGAME ISLAND

SUPER SMASH BROS BRAWL

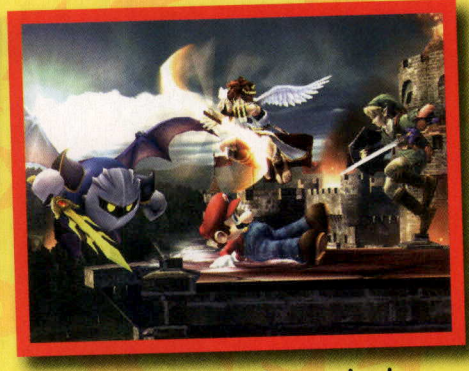
It may be a while yet before you'll be playing with your Nintendo Wii, but the Big N has been releasing sceenshots and movies of their Next Gen console games thick and fast. One of the most exciting for us Pokémon fans is the new Super Smash Bros Brawl game, because it stars our very own Pikachu!

Not many details have been released just yet, but we do know that Nintendo regulars Pikachu, Kirby, Mario and Link will be joined by newcomers like Meta Knight, the sword-wielding nemesis of Kirby; Pit, the angelic archer from Kid Icarus; Zero Suit Samus, the powerful Metroid series heroine; and Mario's arch enemy Wario. Bizarrely the game will also feature Solid Snake from the Konami Metal Gear games!

With the Wii due in the shops by Christmas, we'll bet you'll be playing this after your turkey this year!

Console	Wii
From	Nintendo
Due out	By Christmas?

There's no need to ask who would win out of Pikachu and Kirby, is there?



You'll see plenty of scrapping in Super Smash Bros Brawl.

VIVA PIÑATA

One of the strangest games to catch our attention here at Pokémon World lately has been Viva Piñata from those crazy people at Rare. Releasing on Xbox 360 in time for Christmas, the game gives you control of a piñata garden where you must attract these unique creatures in, make sure they have what they need to survive and watch as they live their lives!

For those who don't know, a piñata is actually a kind of Spanish toy-filled container, often in the shape of a donkey. At celebrations kids are blindfolded and have to swing a stick to try to smash open the piñata and release the sweets. Well these new piñata are alive, and come in all shapes and sizes.

What's really exciting is that Rare is intending Viva Piñata to be the next Pokémon or Yu-Gi-Oh! There's a cartoon show being made by 4Kids Entertainment that will start on the Fox Kids channel in the Autumn, merchandise is being created to fill the shops in time for Christmas... oh, and yes the game too for the Xbox 360! We think they could be on to a real winner here. Maybe we should create Viva Piñata World?

Some piñata get on well... others will scratch each other's eyes out!

It's all about learning social skills and being kind to animals!

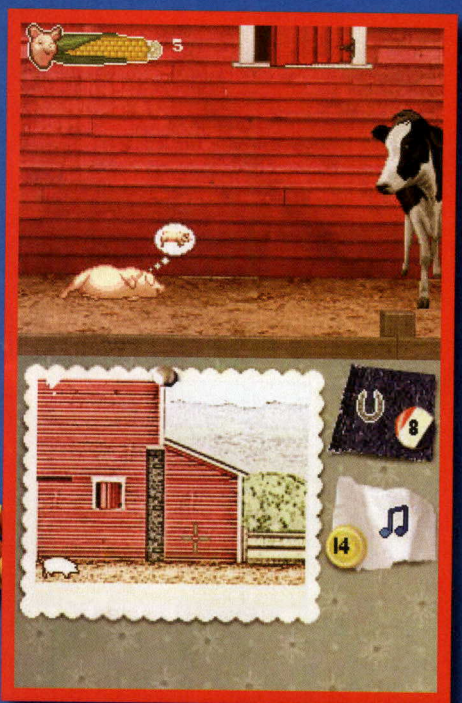
Console Xbox 360
From Microsoft/Rare
Due out Christmas

CHARLOTTE'S WEB

Console DS, GBA, PC
From Sega
Due out Autumn

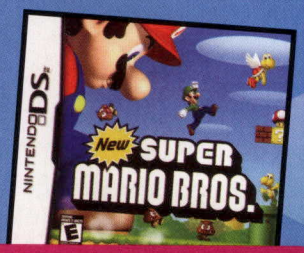
Pigs, spiders, rats and all the fun of the farmyard – sounds like a great idea for a game! Well Sega certainly thought so because this Autumn they're going to be releasing a game based on the Charlotte's Web movie from Nickelodeon and Walden Media – the people behind last year's Chronicles of Narnia.

With lots of detailed levels to explore as either Wilbur the pig or Templeton the rat and mini-games galore on both the Game Boy and Nintendo DS versions, fans of the original Charlotte's Web book by E B White, or those that have seen the movie, will recognise characters and places that they have grown to love. The four levels include Zuckerman's Barn, a Junkyard, the Countryside and the County Fair.



Do you think pigs always dream about other pigs?

NEW SUPER MARIO BROS



Console	Nintendo DS
From	Nintendo
Due out	Out now!

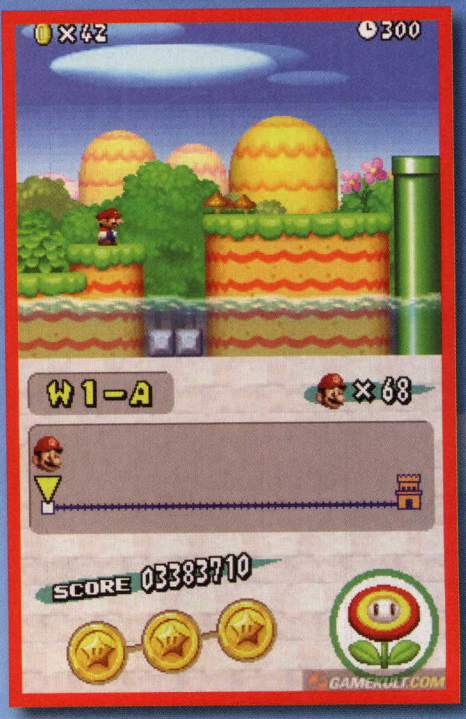
Everybody loves Mario games surely? What's not to love? This little Italian plumber with a passion for jumping and facial hair has been starring in videogames since 1981 – that's 25 years of videogame action! In Pokémon World's opinion the games started to go downhill when 3D way invented though. We loved Super Mario World on the SNES, but Super Mario 64 on the Nintendo 64 made the game 3D for 3D's sake, there was no need. The GameCube Super Mario Sunshine just took the franchise into a whole new area of pain. Thankfully, the boffins at Nintendo have seen the error of their ways and New Super Mario Bros for the Nintendo DS is a return to form – it's 2D again!

"Well thank goodness for that" I hear you all cry. The truth is, this is the first 2D Mario game since the Super Nintendo, but Nintendo has given the game an injection of up-to-date graphics, using some 3D effects, to create what is probably the definitive Mario game.

Once again, Princess Daisy has been captured by the evil Bowser (well, what did you expect? She's useless that girl!) and both Mario and Luigi are off to the rescue through Mushroom Kingdom. The game splits out in a very traditional way with eight worlds containing multiple levels, and these having many sections, each with a familiar Mario theme and concluding with a mini-fortress where a boss is lurking that must be beaten before you can continue.

Wow! Look at the size of that Mario! Growing into a giant is great fun.

Ahh, a trusty Mario pipe. I bet it leads to a top secret area!

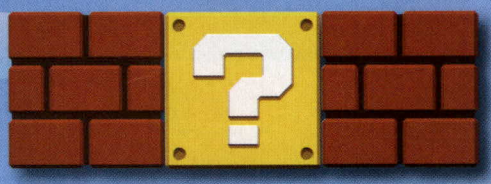


The touch screen doesn't get a lot of use in the main game.

DID YOU KNOW?

MARIO FIRST APPEARED IN A VIDEOGAME WAY BACK IN 1981. HE HAD TO RESCUE THE PRINCESS IN DONKEY KONG!

The maps of each world are as detailed as the levels themselves!



There are snowcapped peaks, raging volcanoes, tropical islands and calm grasslands for Mario and his brother to explore with all kinds of familiar and brand new power-ups to make use of.

Grab a mushroom and Mario will get bigger, just like he always did, but grab a mega-mushroom and Mario will grow to the size of the screen, stomping on all in his path! A mini-mushroom will shrink Mario though, making him extra vulnerable to attack but allow him to sneak down tiny pipes or run on water because he's so light! Picking up a Koopa shell will transform Mario into Shell Mario and mean that he can smash through enemies and blocks like a shell and swim really fast and Fire Mario makes an appearance too, firing out fireballs across the ground.

The fun doesn't end there though, there are new moves for the brothers to master. We've still got the bum-bounce attack that Mario games are famous for, but there's also a wall jump now, where Mario can reach higher platforms by bouncing off the walls, a triple jump similar to that in Super Mario 64 and in many places bouncing from a strategically placed enemy will catapult Mario higher into the air.

Of course, Nintendo has made great use of the DS's multiplayer link-up capabilities in the new game.

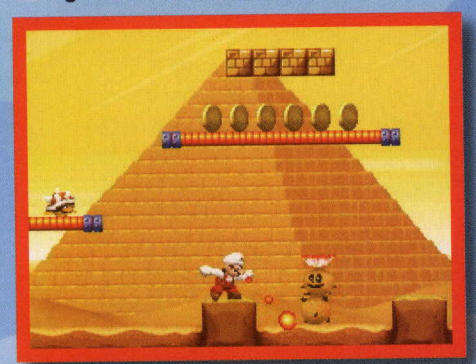
Those Bullet Bill's are no match for mega-Mario! It's good to see Nintendo taking the game back to its 2D roots, we didn't like 3D Mario.

The dual screens in the DS give the game a new lease of life.

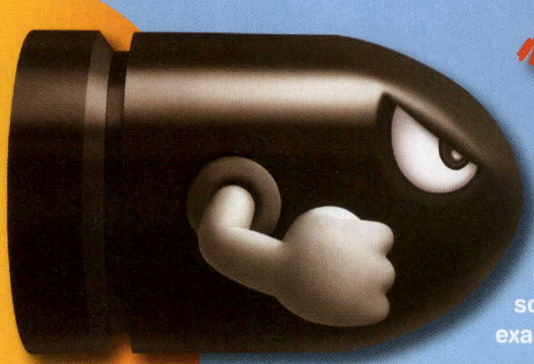
Mario's mini-games are some of the best in videogame history!

Mario has never been much of a multiplayer experience, but now you can **link-up wirelessly with a friend** for a Mario Vs Luigi game where the objective is to collect as many stars as possible over specially designed stages. If your rival gets to the star first, don't worry – **give him a bash and he'll drop a star**, then there's a mad scramble to pick it up again! Got more friends than that? Well four players can take part in a selection of **touch-screen mini-games where you only need the one DS cartridge** thanks to the brilliant DS Download Play option!

Graphically New Super Mario Bros is a sight to behold. Nintendo has created a game that's the **perfect fusion of old and new** – Mario stars in his trademark dungarees and hat, looking like the Mario from the Nintendo 64, only side on instead of three dimensional. All the other characters from the Mario universe have been **given a Spring clean too** and they're all looking great with witty animation and beautiful character design. The **backgrounds are more detailed than the original Mario** games, but fortunately they don't distract from the action too much, and the **addition of 3D scaling effects** where Mario fills the screen and stamps on enemies is an example of how 3D capabilities can



Ooo, a tricky level this one with sinking sand and fireballs to dodge.

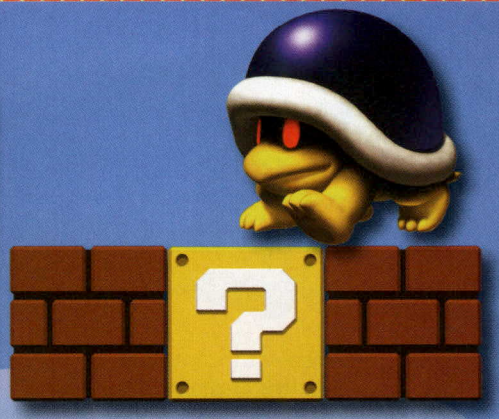


DID YOU KNOW?
NINTENDO REALLY LOVES MARIO, YOU KNOW... MARIO GAMES HAVE SOLD 200 MILLION COPIES WORLDWIDE!

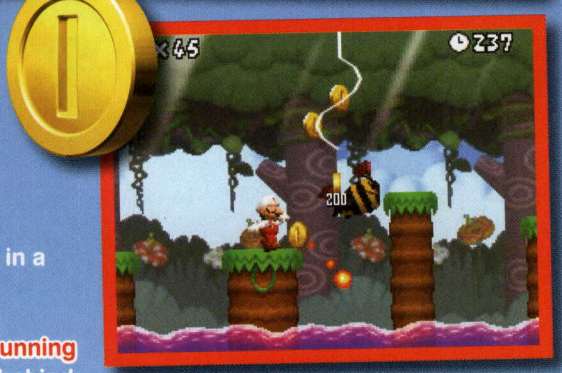
2nd Opinion

Wow, Mario is back and this time he's on the Nintendo DS in his best adventure ever! Unlike some, I really liked the 3D Mario games on N64 and GameCube, but I must admit that it's refreshing to see Mario back in two dimensions again – it's where he really belongs. With mini-games, loads of exciting levels, multiplayer options and plenty of addictive Nintendo-style music and sound effects this is not only the best Mario game ever created, but probably the best platform game ever – full stop! No DS should be without a copy.

Stu Yew



Spooky goings on in some of the later levels will have you diving for cover!



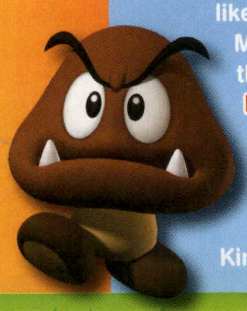
Mario games are always easy to get in to, but hard to complete 100%!

be used in a modern videogame, without resorting to the usual **running around in an 3D world**, camera behind the character rubbish.

As you can see from the screenshots dotted around these pages, New Super Mario Bros has **absolutely tonnes of stuff to offer both casual and hardcore gamers**. There are secrets galore, little nooks and crannies that you don't see on first play, but when you explore more you find them, Mario goes down a new tunnel and **discovers a whole new level**! In fact, you don't have to visit every level to complete the game, just like the original Mario games, but the **fun is in going back time and time again** to see what else you can find in Mushroom Kingdom.

Add to this some **fantastic videogame music and sound effects** and you've got one of the greatest platform games ever created!

The team on Pokémon World have been fans of Mario since the NES days (**yes, some of us are really that old!**) and it's good to see that Nintendo haven't left the little chap behind in these days of Animal Kingdom and Nintendogs. As an added bonus, there's a brilliant website at **mario.nintendo.com** where you can download icons, wallpapers and even sticker sheets and iron-on T-shirt files. **Hooray for Nintendo!** ⊙

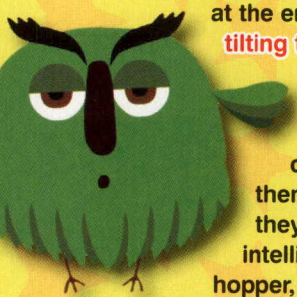


Score 5/5

LOCO ROCO

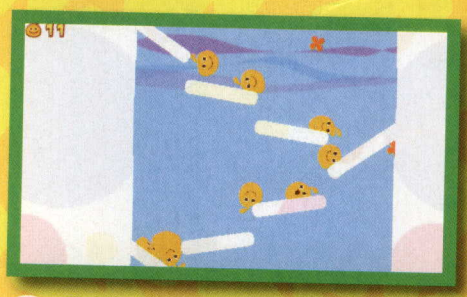
It's always the simplest of games that turn out to be the best, and Sony's new LocoRoco could just be the hit of the Summer on the PSP!

Just take a look at the screenshots and artwork around this page – doesn't it look like a barrel of laughs? The idea behind the game is to help the LocoRoco reach the goal at the end of the level by tilting the entire level with the L and R buttons.



LocoRocos can't move by themselves you see, they have all the intelligence of space hopper, and look a big like one too! But by tilting their world by 30 degrees either way, they have no option but to splurge and spill their way to the goal.

As they go along, they eat virtually everything in their path including flowers, fruit and the odd enemy here and there, getting fatter is good for LocoRocos. The bigger they are at the end of the level, the more points you score! When they're really fat though, getting around can be really tough so you can split your LocoRoco into smaller LocoRoco to squeeze down small holes and over obstacles.



The tiny LocoRoco have no control over themselves.

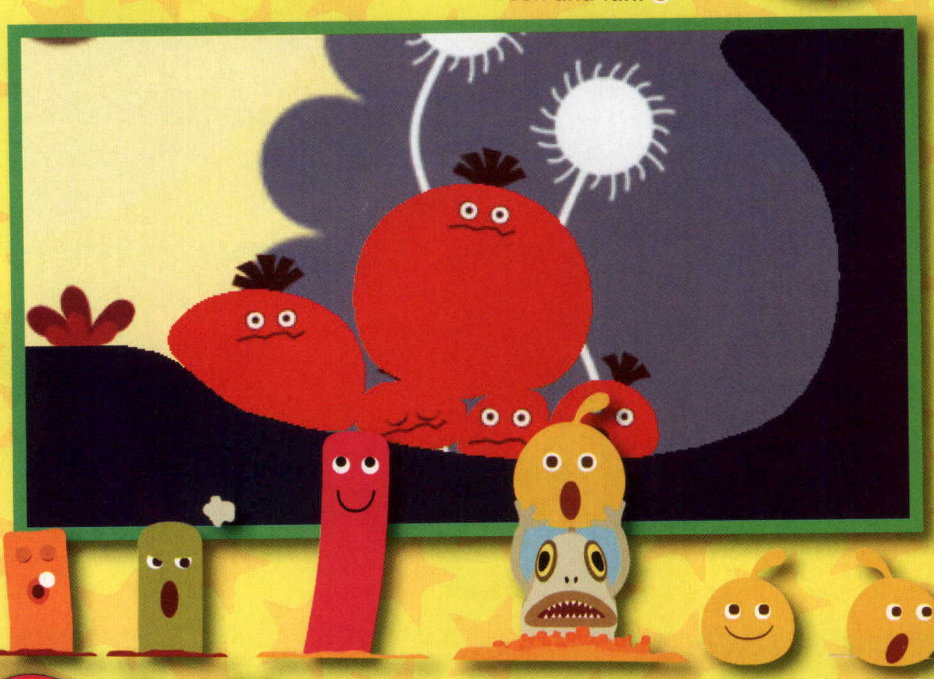
Console	PSP
From	Sony
Due out	Out now!

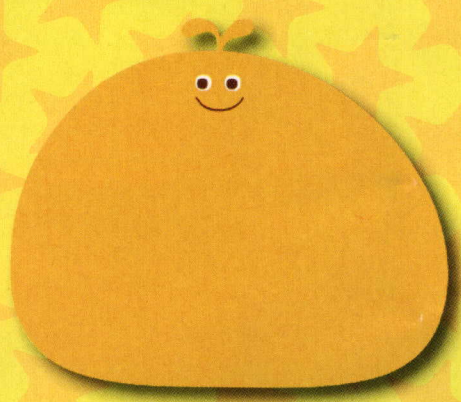
There are lots of secret areas to be discovered, tricky manoeuvres to master and best of all lots of fun to be had as your LocoRoco squelches and slurps around the colourful levels. Well done to Sony, this is an addictive game that's fresh and fun!

Score 5/5

If you're small and yellow, it's always good to have a big orange friend!

Woah! How many LocoRoco can you balance in a pile?





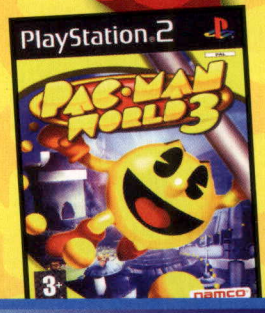
PAC-MAN WORLD 3

If you had to make a list of game characters that had been around since the dawn of time then this little fella would definitely be in the top five. Pac-Man has been setting gamers' hearts racing since 1980, and Namco just won't let him lie, they keep coming up with new games and adventures for the pill-popping beachball.

The trouble is, although Pac-Man World 3 is an okay game, it commits the ultimate foul against classic 2D games and forces Pac-Mac into 3D. We've celebrated the new Mario game this issue because Nintendo was brave enough to make a new 2D game, well for Pac-Man World 4 it would be good to see Namco follow their example. Chances are you would make a far better game anyway as these 3D adventures are ten-a-penny these days.

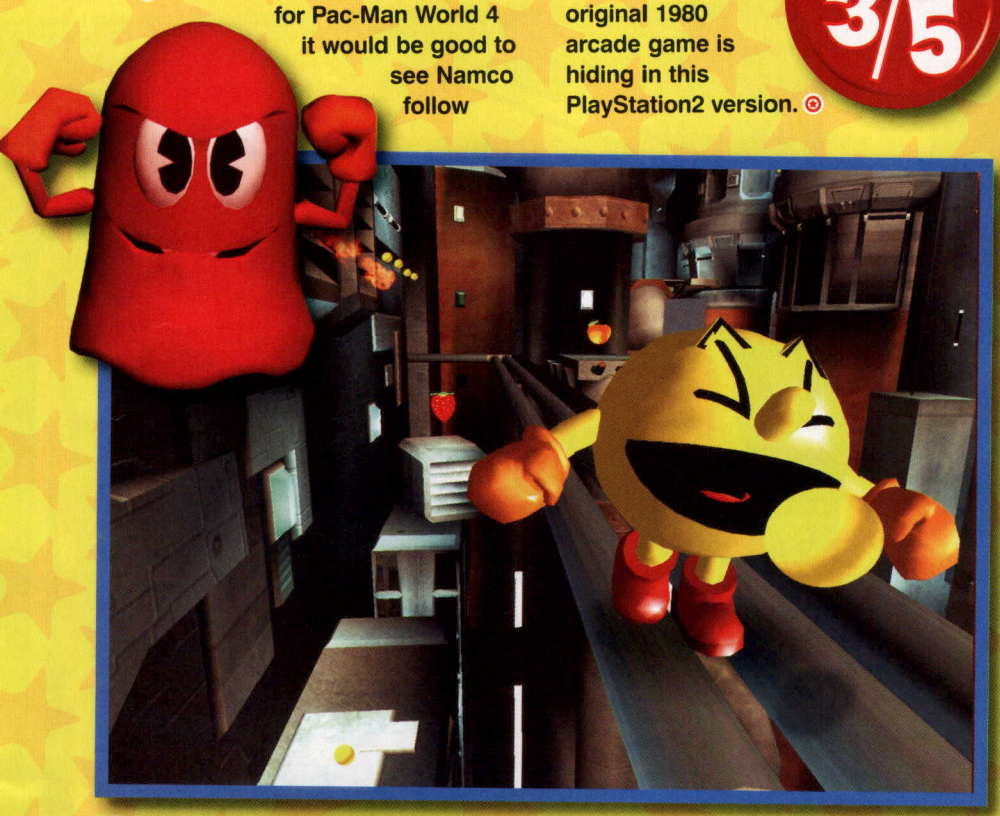
That said, there's much to offer here with a brand new storyline where as well as taking on the role of Pac-Man, players get to control Pinky and Clyde the ghosts too and there are lots of special moves to master including the Power Ribbon and Super Butt Bounce!

The best thing is that you get transported into classic 2D Pac-Man mazes to complete for bonuses and the original 1980 arcade game is hiding in this PlayStation2 version.

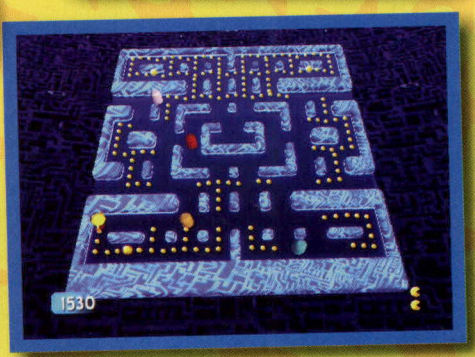


Console	PlayStation2
From	Namco
Due out	Out now!

Score 3/5



They may have forced poor old Pac-Man into a 3D world, but he's still gulping down his power pills and chasing ghosts. Some things you can't change!



The original Pac-Man mazes are often more fun than the 3D worlds.

3D for 3D's sake doesn't cut it with the Pokémon World crew!

WIN! WIN! WIN!

Big Brain Academy

Have you ever wondered how heavy your brain is? Well Nintendo's new July release on DS will tell you! Big Brain Academy is all about putting your grey matter to the test with a series of activities designed to stretch your intellect, puzzle and perplex you! It's also a heck of a lot of fun and being a DS game is packed with multiplayer options and great gameplay. We like to think that Pokémon World readers are some of the most clever in the country, so we've got five copies of the game to give away, along with a brand new Nintendo DS.

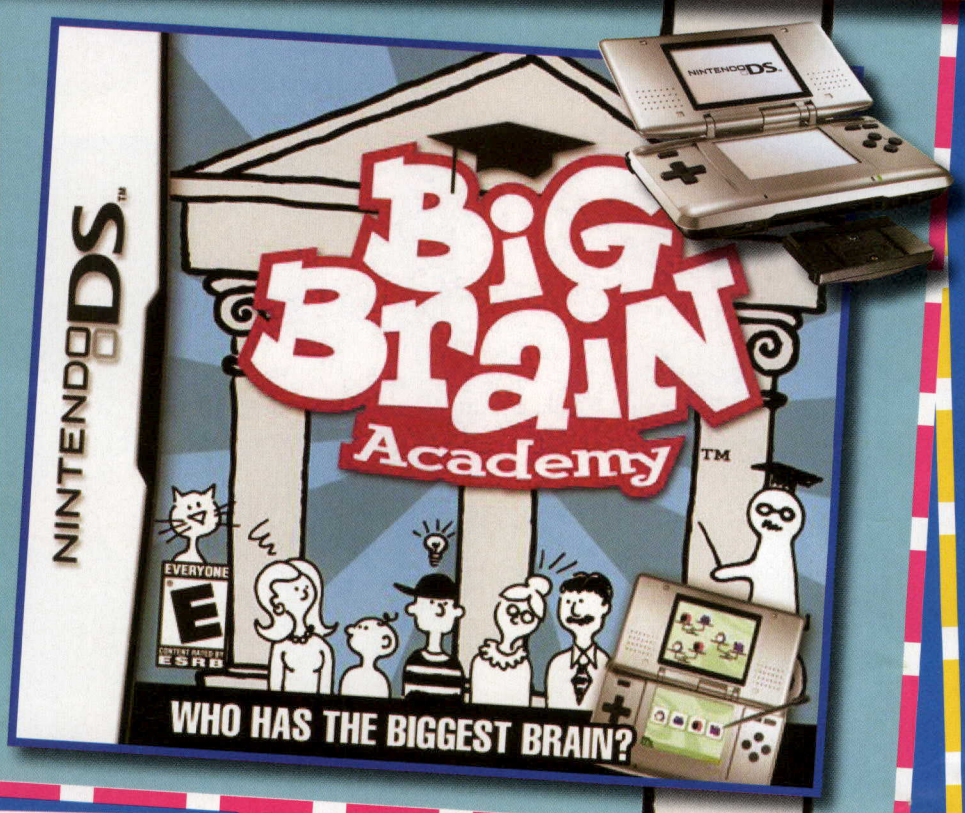
WIN! A NINTENDO DS & 5 BIG BRAIN GAMES!

To win either email **pokemonworld@imagesdm.co.uk** or post it to our usual address marking your letter '**Big Brain Compo**'...

Which of these tasty vegetables looks the most like your brain?

A. Cauliflower
B. Carrot
C. Pea

Remember to put your name, address and age on your entry and get it to us by 21 September – good luck!



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DREAMWORKS

OVER THE HEDGE™

WIN! AN XBOX AND 5 COPIES OF THE GAME!

Have you seen Over The Hedge yet? It's a great Dreamworks movie and fantastic game from Activision. To celebrate the top scores it's been getting we've got an Xbox and five copies of the game to give away. Just answer the question by emailing pokemonworld@imagesdm.co.uk or post it to our usual address marking your letter 'I'm Over The Hedge Compo'...

Name the lead character in the over The Hedge movie.

A. BJ and the bear
B. RJ the raccoon
C. CJ the elephant

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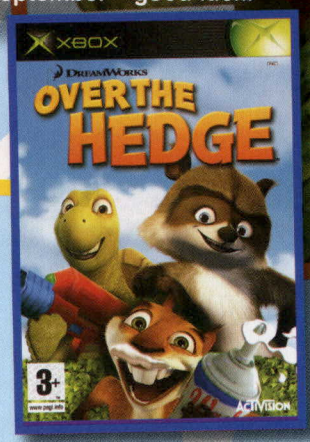

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POKÉMAIL

Not much room this issue, but keep your letters and art coming to... Pokémon World, Richmond House, 33 Richmond Hill, Bournemouth, BH2 6EQ or email me at... pokemonworld@imagesdm.co.uk

FORUM FUN!

Dear Pokémon World,
I am a very big fan of your magazine and love Pokemon, so I created a Pokemon website at coolkyogre.proboards101.com (don't put 'www.'). Please put this message in your magazine because I need more members – I only have me, my friend and my two brothers. Also, me and my brother have, between us, Ruby, Sapphire, FireRed, LeafGreen and Emerald, but we still haven't worked out what the 'mystery gift' option actually does. Please tell me how to get them and what they are.
Alex Hall, age 13, Spalding

Well done on making a website Alex, maybe you'll get some readers joining your Forum? The mystery gift is all about connecting up Game Boy Colors via infrared, this way players can share items.

OLD SEA CHART

Hey Pokémon World!
I've written to you once before and you didn't answer me... But that's OK! I forgive you, no worries! I live in Northern Ireland so, as you can probably tell, we don't get any Nintendo events. Booo! So, I was wondering, is there anyway to get The Old Sea Chart for Emerald wihtout going to an Event... I hear that you can post your cartridge to Nintendo and they can install it for you. If this is true, can you tell me the address please? Thanks!
Treecko Gal, 13, Carryduffre.

You're quite right Treecko Gal, what's the point in having something you can only get at an event, if there aren't that many?! One option is to cheat your way to The Old Sea Chart, get an Action Replay device and there's a code in there to warp yourself to Faraway Island where you'll find it after battling Mew.

ASK PROFESSOR YEW

Hidden Stuff?

Q Dear Professor Yew,
I have questions I would like you to answer about Pokémon Ruby and Sapphire.
1. I have been told that there are three hidden cities Treeko, Torchic and Mudkipcity. Is this true?
2. I have also been told that you can clone Pokémon, how do I do this?
3. My friend's mum on the game has been sent to prison, why?
4. My friend's mum has also traded with Mr Briney, how do you do this?
From Daniel, Wolverhampton

A Well, Daniel,
You really shouldn't believe everything you are told. I think your friends are having a bit of a laugh as none of these things are possible. If you want top quality information, then keep reading Pokémon World, it's all in here!

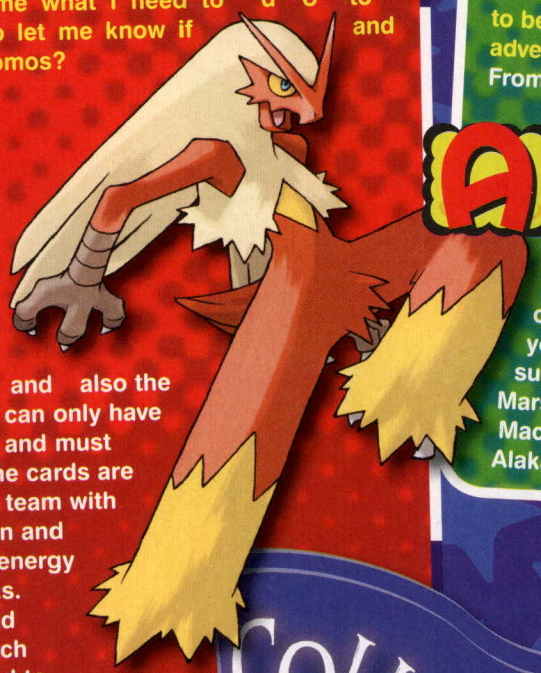
Web Wondering!

Q Dear Professor Yew,
Do you know of any good Pokémon websites where I can find out more about the new games coming up later this year?
From Bennett, Poole

A Well Bennett,
You could try pointing your browser to http://bulbapedia.bulbagarden.net/wiki/Main_Page. It's a fantastic site packed with information and set out in a really useful way just like the online encyclopedia Wikipedia.

On the Decks

Q Dear Professor Yew,
I love the Pokémon Trading Card Game but I really need your help. I am a total rookie and need some help trying to build a deck and finding a few cards. I have lots of cards, including a few promos like Ancient Mew and several of the new cards but I wish to make a deck to play against my friends. Please can you tell me what I need to d o to make a decent deck and also let me know if and where I can get some more promos?
From Dan, Cornwall



A Well, Dan,
Building a deck is no easy task to begin with as it can sometimes be difficult to ensure you have all the right ingredients to win. A deck consists of 60 cards and these must include your Pokémon, Trainer Cards and also the energy required to attack. You can only have four Pokémon cards the same and must ensure that at least 18-20 of the cards are energy. Try to pick a balanced team with two different types of Pokémon and ensure that you have enough energy cards to power up their attacks.
If you are struggling, you could always buy a theme deck, which includes all the cards you need to make a good make a good start.

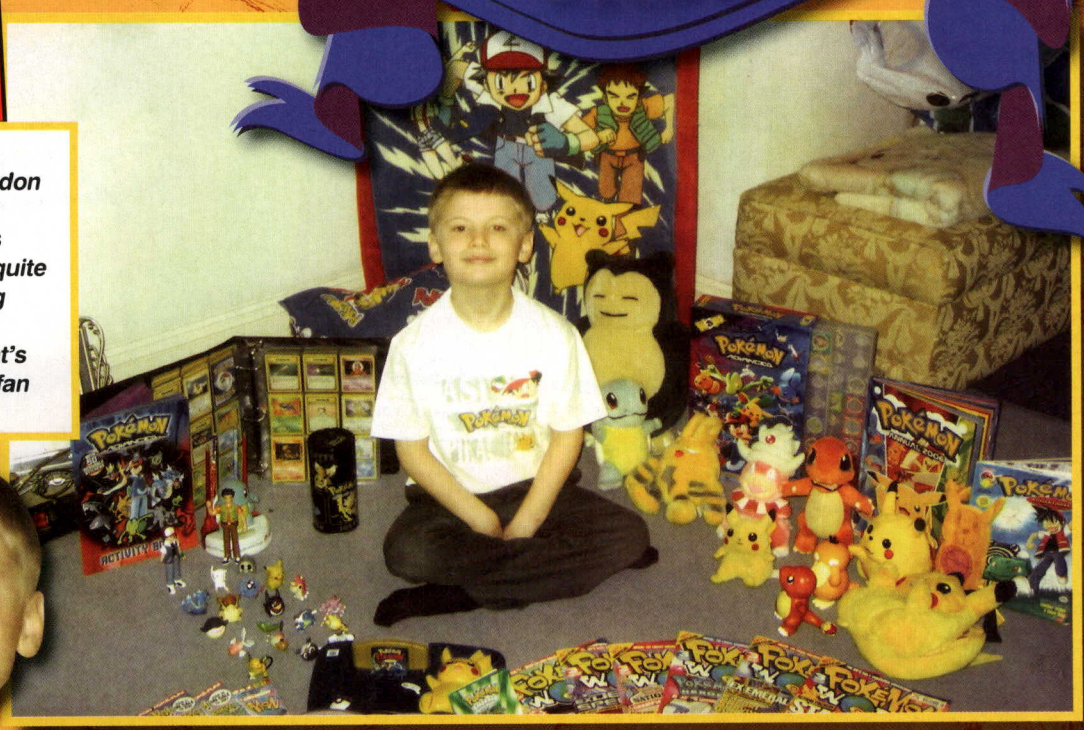
Dad beating

Q Dear Professor Yew,
I am playing Pokémon Sapphire and have got to the fifth Gym, but I am unable to beat my Dad. I started the game with Torchic and it is now fully evolved and I also have a few other strong Pokémon. Please can you tell me how to beat my Dad so I can continue on my adventure?
From Lewis, Aylesbury

A Well Lewis,
For a moment there I thought you were planning to do battle with your own dad! To get the best results, choose a team of Fighting Pokémon and have a good supply of Super Potions to aid you when your HP runs low. Here is the team I suggest to win this battle:
Marshtomp, Grovyle, Combusken, Machop, Gyarados, Azumarill, Makuhita, Alakazam.

COLLECTOR'S CORNER

Have you got a cool collection of Pokémon stuff? Send in a photo to the Pokémail address and we'll show the world!



This Pokémon fan is none other than Brandon Perry, aged 7, from Rainham in Essex. As you can see, he has quite a collection, including lots of issues of Pokémon World – that's the find of Pokémon fan we like to see!

DESIGN A MONSTER!

Pika Pics will be back next issue, in the meantime send your art to... Pokémon World, Richmond House, 33 Richmond Hill, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH2 6EQ.

Monster of the Month!

Evolution: None

Aqutewn

01

Pokémon type: Water/Fighting

Special attacks: Hydro Pump, Ice Beam, Mega Kick, Dynamic Punch

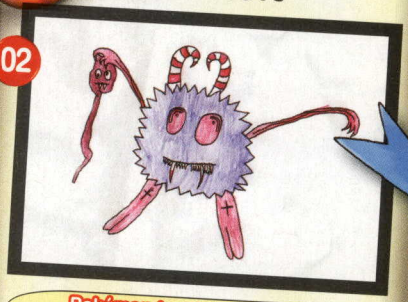
Brief Description: Although it appears lizard-like it is actually a newt Pokémon. It rake the sandy ocean floor with its sharp, webbed claws searching for Shellders.

Chester, age 11, Claygate

Evolution: Vena Moth

Vena Keit

02



Pokémon type: Psychhic/Dark

Special attacks: Hypnosis, Metranome, Hyperbeam

Brief description: This species is very rare and has rarely been captured. Vena Keits stick is actually its pet. It can make moon stones with its special Metranome.

Jack Broadley, age 10, Lancaster

Evolution: None

Gecore

03

Pokémon type: Grass/Ground

Special attacks: Flying Kick, Leaf Slash, Leaf Claw, Pin Down

Brief description: This Pokémon is only found once and it's nearly impossible to catch. This is the most deadly Pokémon yet and is found only on level 389!

Ben Arrowsuch, age 11, Nottingham

Evolution: None

Jubot

04

Pokémon type: Grass/Flying

Special attacks: Poison Sting, Hypnotic Stare

Brief description: If there's a bite on your bum when you sit down there's a Jubot on your seat! It has remarkably sharp teeth!

Julia Ratclif, age 6, Sutton Coldfield

KEEP YOUR GREAT MONSTERS COMING IN!

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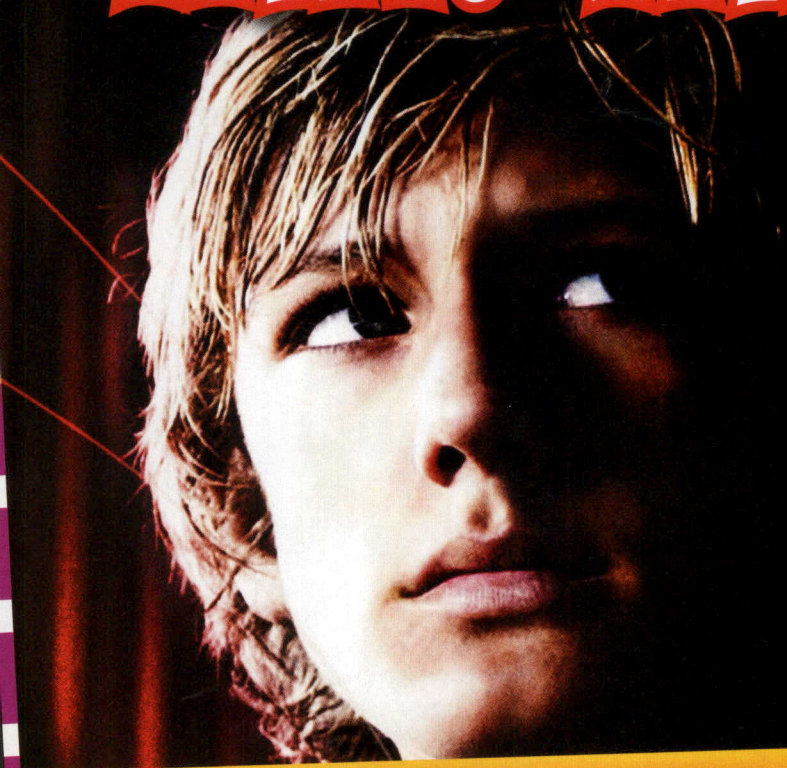

Teenager Alex Rider™ is reluctantly recruited as an MI6 spy. Armed with his special set of gadgets, his mission begins at Darrius Sayle's HQ – the lunatic billionaire has offered to donate a cutting-edge 'Stormbreaker' computer to every school in Britain. Could this really be a deadly plot? Time is running out as Alex finds himself in mortal danger...

Stormbreaker™ is in cinemas from 21 July and THQ have a great Nintendo DS game coming out at the same time. To celebrate this fact THQ has given us five DS games, five Alex Rider movie books and five Stormbreaker™ Funfax to give away to Pokémon World readers. The Stormbreaker™ Funfax file is the perfect companion to the new movie, with info on all the characters. The six fabulous sections include space for your own top secret details and secret dossiers on friends; keep track of your missions and movements for the year ahead with a diary; personality profiles from the Stormbreaker™ mission and much more!

WIN! DS GAMES, BOOKS & STORMBREAKER FUNFAX

To win either email **pokemonworld@imagesdm.co.uk** or post it to our usual address marking your letter '**Stormbreaker™ Compo**'...

What is a Stormbreaker™?

A. A computer
B. Lightning
C. A weather man

Remember to put your name, address and age on your entry and get it to us by 21 September – good luck!

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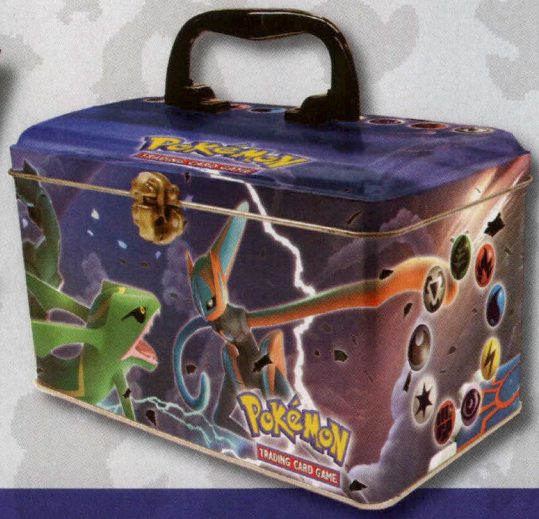


All the latest from the Championships

The Pokémon World run down of what's happening in the PTCG!

Another month on and the action at Tournaments around the country has not been slowing down. The London and South West Regional Championships have been and gone, UK Nationals will be over by the time this magazine goes to print. All that and the World Championships are just a few months away too!

In this issue we're going to review London's Regional; giving you details on the decks that won and we will also be looking at where you can play in July and throughout the summer. We have details in this issue on Pokémon Organised Play venues and regular league locations running across the UK.

And of course we take another look at a few of those EX Holon Phantom Cards, just what is interesting and worth a looking from this latest set?

London Regional Championships

It's Saturday 29 April 2006, and we're in London with 77 other Pokémon TCG Players from across the UK who are about to sit down and battle for the title of London Regional Champion.

London is again the biggest regional tournament in the country with the fiercest competition and after five rounds of intense action followed by top eight knockouts the three London Regional Champions have been crowned.

The ten and under age group is won by Christopher Fotheringham; his second Regional title, following his win at Bournemouth at the beginning of April. Christopher was playing his Typlosion Deck as detailed in the last issue of Pokémon World magazine.

Shaun Banham eventually won the 11-14 age group, the finals saw a titanic struggle between Shaun and Nicholas Fotheringham. The game was all down which player was going to get the knockout needed to take their last prize. Both finalists were playing variants of the classic Dark Dragonite/ Dark Electrode/ Rocket's Sneasel EX, 'Speedtrode Deck'.

If the London Regional Championships are anything to go on it certainly looks like the 11-14 age group will be a keenly fought contest at UK Nationals. By the time you read this the Pokémon TCG National Champions in all age groups will have been crowned we will tell you all about it in our next issue.

The basic strategy behind Shaun's 'Speedtrode Deck' is to use

Dark Electrode to pull dark and dark metal energy from his deck and then use Dark Dragonite to move that energy to either itself or more usually a Rocket's Sneasel EX. The Rocket's Sneasel EX can then attack, either using Drag Off to pull Pokémon off the bench or by using it's Dark Ring attack it can do up to 130 damage to the defending Pokémon.

It's the synergy in the deck that makes it a winner, it helps you to control your opponent's active Pokémon, draw extra energy from your deck, transfer energy to wherever you need it and it can still do massive damage. Oh and remember; apart from the Dark Electrode line and the Team Rocket's Sneasel EX, this deck can be made from two Team Rocket 'James' Theme Decks!

Shaun Banham's Speedtrode Deck

Pokémon (19)

3 x Rocket's Sneasel EX (EX Team Rocket Returns)
4 x Dratini (EX Team Rocket Returns)
3 x Dark Dragonair (evolutionary light)(EX Team Rocket Returns)
3 x Dark Dragonite (EX Team Rocket Returns)
3 x Voltorb (EX Team Rocket Returns)
3 x Dark Electrode (EX Team Rocket Returns)

Trainers (26)

2 x Rocket's Admin (EX Team Rocket Returns)
2 x Rocket's Hideout (EX Team Rocket Returns)
2 x Desert Ruins (EX Hidden Legends)
4 x Team Rocket's Pokéball (EX Team Rocket Returns)
3 x Steven's Advice (EX Fire Red Leaf Green)
3 x Lanette's Net Search (Ex Emerald)
3 x Dual Ball
1 x Switch
1 x Scott
1 x Crystal Shard
1 x Pokémon Retriever
3 x Copycat (EX Fire Red Leaf Green)

Energy (15)

4 x Dark Energy (EX Fire Red Leaf Green)
4 x Rainbow Energy
4 x Dark Metal Energy (EX Team Rocket Returns)
3 x Rocket's Energy (EX Team Rocket Returns)

The cards certainly fly at these tournaments, these guys are serious players and the stakes are high!

Sami Sekkoum beat all in the 15+ to prove once again that at the moment he is the player to beat in the UK. As he says of himself, "I am the greatest player alive" usually followed by, "believe the hype". And we at Pokémon World certainly do believe the hype as Sami has blasted a trail of wins across the UK this tournament season, winning countless City Championships and he looks best placed to win his age group at the UK National Championships on 10 June. We will be very surprised if he doesn't make the top eight in his age group at the very least, we'll be there to watch and report with full details on UK Nationals next issue!

Sami was playing a tech'd out BLS (Blastoise Lugia Steelix) Deck with Porygon 2 from Delta Species providing additional draw power, especially useful when following up on a Team Rocket's Admin.

It must have been a tight fit getting all the Pokémon and trainers into this deck and there is room for only nine energy cards in there! This particular BLS deck demands a level of skill and ability beyond many players of the Pokémon Trading Card Game, the way he played this deck showed us all just why Sami is the player to beat this year at the UK Nationals.

If you want to build either of these decks we do have a word of caution for you before you spend any money. In September we expect the next changes to the Modified Tournament Format and it is unlikely that the core cards in either of these decks will be playable in the New Modified Format following those changes. Due to the popularity of BLS as a deck at the moment there is a premium being paid for the key cards in the deck. We advise you to think before you spend good money buying these cards, you may be wasting your time as they have a very limited shelf life in organised tournament play.

Upcoming UK Tournaments

Find a game near you today!

Rainham Pokémon League
Date: Every Tuesday 7pm to 10pm, Sunday 16 July & Sunday 20 August
Venue: The Rainham and Wigmore Community Centre, Granary Close (off Station Road), Rainham, Kent, ME8 7SG
Contact: Ben Ward, 07949 359750 for details
Web: www.gamersguild.co.uk
Info: Doors open 12pm

Bournemouth Pokémon League
Contact: Russell Murray
Tel: 07879 073525

Crawley Pokémon League
Contact: Ian
Tel: 079414 11599
Address: Hillcrest Close, Pound Hill, Crawley

Falkirk Pokémon League
Contact: Gordon 'Chalkey'
Tel: 07745 539753

London Pokémon League
Contact: John
Tel: 0208 533 7426

Mitcham Pokémon League
Contact: Dennis
Tel: 07956 802779
Address: McDonalds, 1 Majestic Way, Mitcham, Surrey, CR4 2JS
Info: Tuesdays, 6pm onwards

Manchester Pokémon League
Contact: Fanboy3
Tel: 07849 955740
Address: Fanboy3, 17 Newton Street, Manchester, M1 1FZ
Web: www.take2theweb.com/pub/fb3/a.html

Norfolk Pokémon League
Contact: Martin
Tel: 07817 980987
Address: Battlenet, 2A Queens Road, Norwich, Norfolk
Info: Tuesdays, 7pm onwards

Slough Pokémon League
Contact: Faisal
Tel: 0788 752 2927
Address: Top Floor, Burger King, High Street, Slough
Info: Sundays, 10am onwards

Sami's Elite LBS Deck

Pokémon (26)

2 x Squirtle (EX Fire R Leaf G)
1 x Wartortle (EX Fire R Leaf G)
2 x Blastoise EX (EX Fire Red Leaf Green)
2 x Pidgey (EX Fire R Leaf G)
1 x Pidgeotto (EX Fire R Leaf G)
2 x Pidgeot (EX Fire R Leaf G)
1 x Onix (EX Unseen Forces)
1 x Steelix EX (EX Unseen Forces)
2 x Lugia EX (EX Unseen Forces)
1 x Latias * (Star) (EX Deoxys)
3 x Jirachi (EX Hidden Legends)
1 x Jirachi (EX Deoxys)
1 x Porygon (EX Unseen Forces)
1 x Porygon 2 (EX Un Forces)
4 x Holon Electrode (EX Delta Species)

Trainers (25)

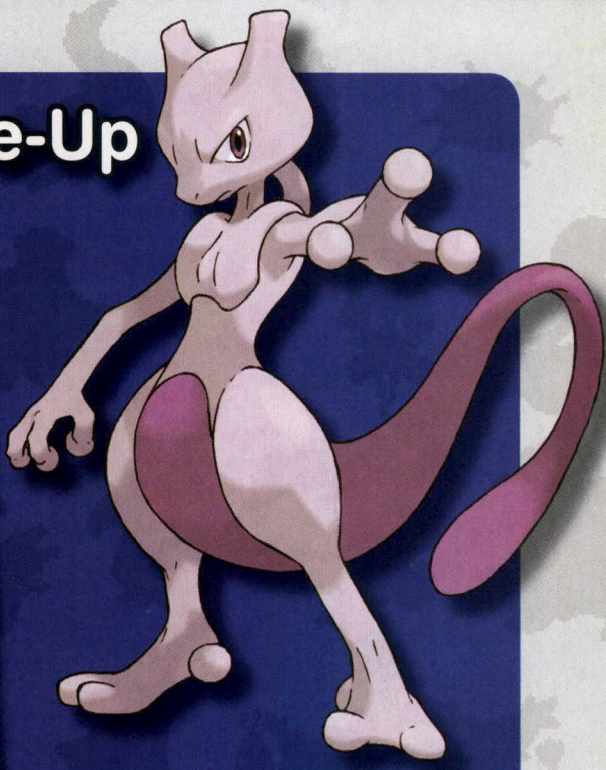
2 x Celio's Network (EX Fire Red Leaf Green)
2 x Professor Elm's Training Method (EX Unseen Forces)
3 x Rare Candy (EX Emerald)/ (EX Sandstorm)
3 x Holon Transceiver (EX Delta Species)
2 x Holon Mentor (EX Delta Spe)
1 x Holon Scientist (EX Delta S)
1 x Steven's Advice (EX Hidden Legends)
2 x Pokémon Retriever (EX Team Rocket Returns)
1 x Warp Point (EX Unseen Forces)
2 x Power Tree (EX Legend Maker)
1 x Space Center (EX Deoxys)
1 x Giant Stump (EX Legend Maker)
2 x Swoop! Teleporter (EX Team Rocket Returns)
3 x Rocket's Admin (EX Team Rocket Returns)

Energy (9)

9 x Water Energy

EX Holon Phantoms Close-Up

We take a closer look at Flygon and Mew EX



Flygon from EX Holon Phantoms at first looks like a very good card, the Poké-Power is like a mini 'Raindance' allowing you to play an extra Basic energy or Delta Rainbow energy every turn. Unfortunately this power only works with Delta Pokémon.

Flygon
110 HP
STAGE 2
Poké-POWER
Delta Supply
Once during your turn (before your attack), you may attach a basic Energy card or a ◇ Rainbow Energy card from your hand to 1 of your Pokémon that has ◇ on its card. This power can't be used if Flygon is affected by a Special Condition.
Swift
60
This attack's damage isn't affected by Weakness, Resistance, Poké-Powers, Poké-Bodies, or any other effects on the Defending Pokémon.

But you can theme a Delta Deck these days so let's see what Delta Pokémon can take advantage of this extra energy drop?

Metagross from EX Delta Species is one obvious choice here, but, it's attack depends on the number of energy discarded and it works much better with Delta Species Dragonite; sucking energy from the discard pile or with EX Fire Red Leaf Green Electrode EX; blow up Electrode and then you can attach up to five energy cards from your discard pile to Metagross.

So if Delta Species Metagross isn't the one then we need something like Delta Species Salamence to take advantage of Flygon's Poké Power this combination starts to look much better. Now we can be doing 100 damage per turn, by using Fygon's Poké Power to attach a Delta Rainbow Energy or basic Energy card from your hand to Salamence and then using our normal energy drop to take him to four Energy.

TRAINER
Rare Candy
Choose 1 of your Basic Pokémon in play. If you have a Stage 1 or Stage 2 card that evolves from that Pokémon in your hand, put that card on the Basic Pokémon. (This counts as evolving that Pokémon.)

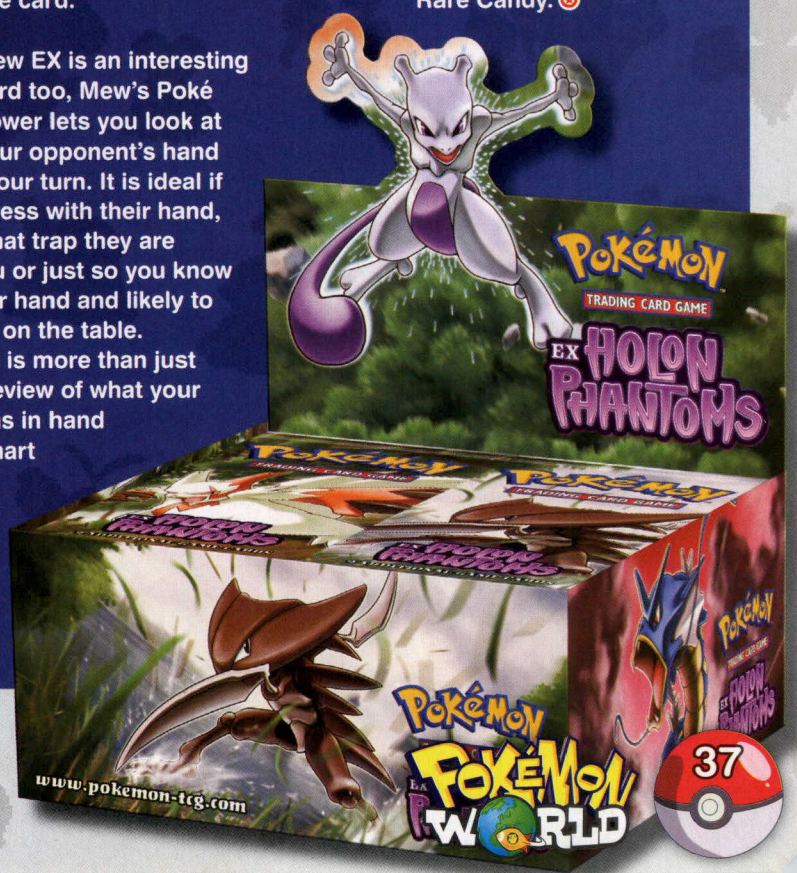
Mew ex
90 HP
BASIC
When Pokémon-ex has been Knocked Out, your opponent takes 2 Prize cards.
Poké-POWER
Psychic Vision
Once during your turn (before your attack), if Mew ex is on your Bench, you may look at your opponent's hand.
Super Psy Bolt
30
Devo Crush
50
You may discard 2 Energy attached to Mew ex. If you do, you may remove the highest Stage Evolution card from the Defending Pokémon and shuffle that card into your opponent's deck.
weakness
resistance
retreat cost

Simply repeat each turn until you have battered your opponent into submission. There's no doubt that Delta Species decks are fun but we at Pokémon World are not convinced yet that they are game winners on there own. Flygon maybe just the card to change our minds and once the new modified format is announced in September he could be a must have card.

Mew EX is an interesting card too, Mew's Poké Power lets you look at your opponent's hand once during your turn. It is ideal if you want to mess with their hand, admin away that trap they are setting for you or just so you know what is in their hand and likely to be coming up on the table.

But Mew is more than just an sneak preview of what your opponent has in hand it's also a smart attacker too. It's Devo Crush attack only does 50 Damage for three energy but, if you pay the additional cost of discarding two energy, you can devolve the defending Pokémon and shuffle the top evolution card away into you opponent's deck.

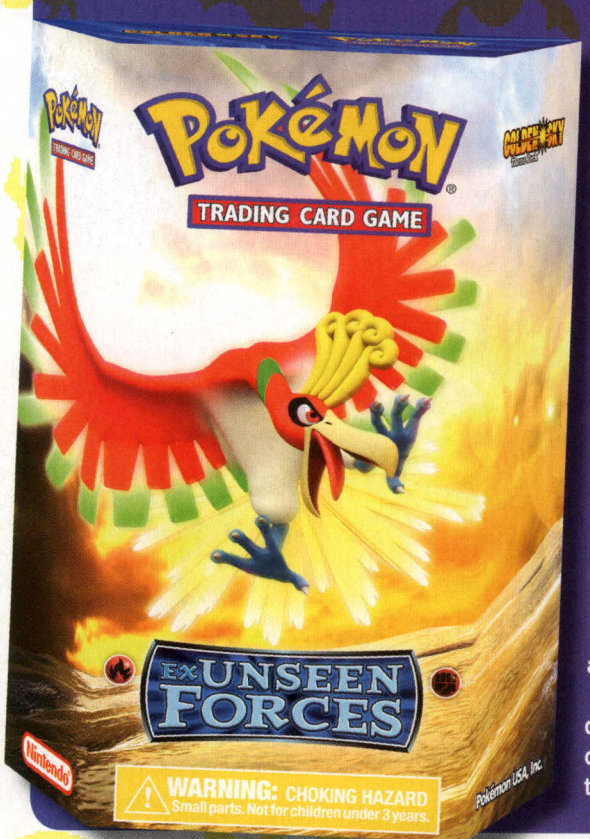
This is especially devastating when your opponent has used Rare Candy to evolve their Pokémon that much sooner. A situational Pokémon yes, maybe a tech card in some decks where the metagame favours Rare Candy.



Ditto's Deck Garage

Ditto's been missing for the last few months, we looked everywhere in our offices here at Pokémon World but his ability to transform and mimic other members of staff meant we had a hard time tracking him down!

We did finally corner him in the kitchen trying to sneak a piece of cheese out of the fridge and having caught him we've chained him to his desk and got him working again on Ditto's Deck Garage.



Golden Sky Competition – Winners

His first task was to look through your competition entries for our Golden Sky Theme Deck competition. We asked you to send us your changes to the Golden Sky Theme deck and how you would make it into a real Pokémon Tournament winner.

Well Ditto selected the eight winning decks and each winner will receive one of the current Modified Format Theme Decks in the post.

- Anita Boreham
- Shaan Hussain Malik
- Jake Hague
- Dharyl Wilson
- Harry Michalak
- George Cundale
- Matthew Box
- Sophie Berg

We don't have room to print all the decks here, but Ditto was impressed by all your decks, winners or not. One deck however did stand out above the rest and Anita Boreham from Ormskirk in Lancashire did came up with the overall best deck design in Ditto's opinion and her adaptations to the Golden Sky Theme deck are printed here.

Anita has made her changes well, cutting back on Energy cards, reducing the number of Pokémon and reducing the evolution lines too. She has used that space well and increased the Trainers to 24 adding some much needed draw power.

Ditto thinks Anita did a pretty good job here; the deck runs well. The Potions are a quick and easy way of healing damage from her

The Original Golden Sky Theme Deck

Pokémon (25)

1x Ho-Oh (#27/115) (Special Holo)
4x Cyndaquil (#54/115)
2x Quilava (#45/115)
1x Typlosion (#17/115) (Special Non-Holo)
4x Larvitar (#61/115)
2x Pupitar (#70/115)
4x Wooper (#79/115)
1x Quagsire (#44/115)
4x Slugma (#73/115)
1x Magcargo (#41/115)
1x Chansey (#20/115)

Trainers (11)

2x Professor Elm's Training Method (#89/115)
1x Mary's Request (#86/115)
2x Energy Switch (#84/115)
2x Energy Removal (#82/115)
2x Potion (#95/115)
2x Energy Search (#94/115)

Energy (24)

13x Fire Energy
11x Fighting Energy

Anita Boreham's Improved Golden Sky Theme Deck

Pokémon (18)

4 x Cyndaquil
4 x Quilava
2 x Typlosion
2 x Ho-oh
2 x Pidgey
2 x Pidgeotto
2 Pidgeot

Trainers (24)

4 x Potion
4 x Energy Removal 2
4 x Rare Candy
4 x Copycat
2 x Master Ball
2 x Mr Briney's Compassion
2 x Steven's Advice
2 x Rockets Mission

Energy (18)

12 x Fire Energy Cards
6 x Fighting Energy Cards

Pokémon and Energy Removal 2 will help keep her opponent's on the back foot and behind on energy drops. Copycat, Steven's Advice and Rockets Mission all help fill her hand with cards and Masterball helps find the cards she needs when she needs them. Rare Candy will speed up the evolution lines and finally Mr Briney's Compassion can deny an opponent a prize and return much needed cards to her hand.

Our thanks go to www.theplaceforgames.com and www.esdevium.com who provided the theme deck prizes for the competiton and of course to all the Pokémon World readers who entered their decks.

Euro Professor Championships

Germany wins it big!

In between Regional and National Championships the European Pokémon Professors took time out to play in their own Professor Championships in Belgium.

Pokémon Professors work with Pokémon Organised Play (POP) and Nintendo to bring you all the awesome events, tournaments, pre-releases, city and regional championships and UK nationals. They are the judges, organisers and back room boffins that make sure you have somewhere to play.

Pokémon Organised Play decided to reward the Professors for their hard work with a championship all of their own and on the 6 May at the Sheraton Airport Hotel in Brussels, Belgium 31 Pokémon Professors sat down to do battle. The event was free to all professors; all they had to do was turn up on the day and play!

Sealed Deck?

The Professor Championship tournament was run as a modified version of a sealed booster tourney, using the EX Holon Phantoms set. The rules remained identical to Sealed Deck with the following exceptions:

At the end of the second round, each player received two additional EX Holon Phantoms boosters. Players then had 30 minutes to rebuild their decks, using the cards they received at the beginning of the event and the cards from the two additional boosters. All decks had to meet the Sealed Deck restrictions.

At the end of the fourth round, each player received two additional EX Holon Phantoms boosters. Players then had 30 more minutes to rebuild their decks, using the cards they received at the beginning of the event, the cards received after the second round, and the cards from the two additional boosters.

All the changes in decks from adding boosters made for a fun and exciting event. Pokémon Organised Play kept the professors fed and watered throughout the day and by the end German professor Toni Lampert came first winning himself a pile of goodies and a trip to the World Championships. It just goes to show that you are never too old to have a great time playing the Pokémon Trading Card Game.

Those wacky Pokémon TCG professors certainly comes in all shapes and sizes!

Next issue will see the UK's 2005/2006 Tournament Season come to an end with UK Nationals and we will bring you details of the winners and their decks. Ditto's Deck garage will be back with your decks examined and improved and we'll have details on more places to play, upcoming tournaments and an expanded league listing.

summer puzzle special

Got some time on your hands on your hols? Well sit back, relax and spend some time with the Pokémon World Summer Puzzle Special!

spot the difference

Can you spot the 10 differences between these two summery scenes?

monster mix up

Professor Yew has been messing around in his lab and created a new Pokémon. Can you work out which monsters he's used? As a clue, this monster's name is TANGEGGTCH'D!

blankety blank

Fill in the blanks to give the name of our favourite Pokémon. We've done the first one for you!

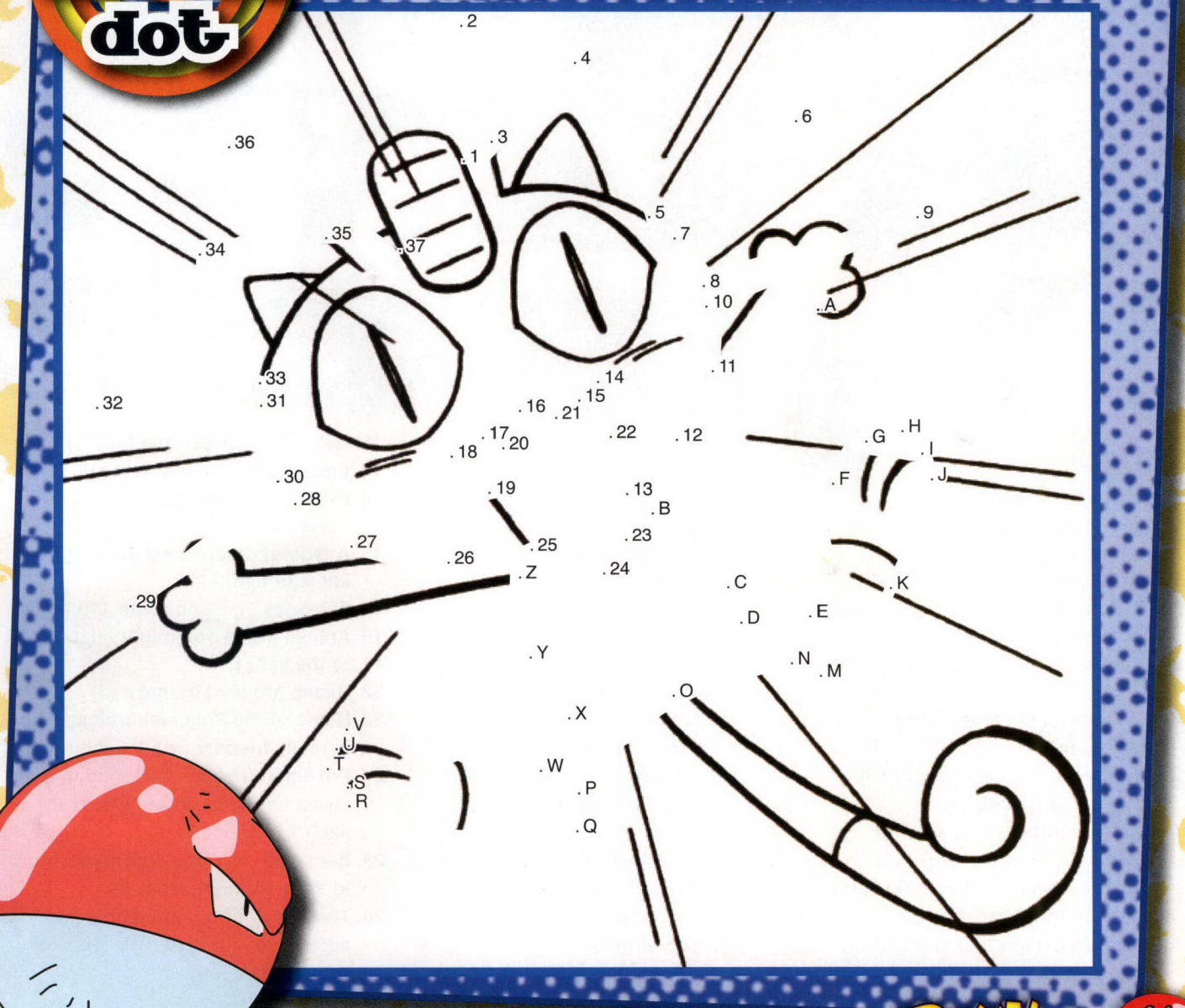
PIKA**CHU** WEEP__BELL

___TURN ____TAILS

GRUM___ _QUIRT__

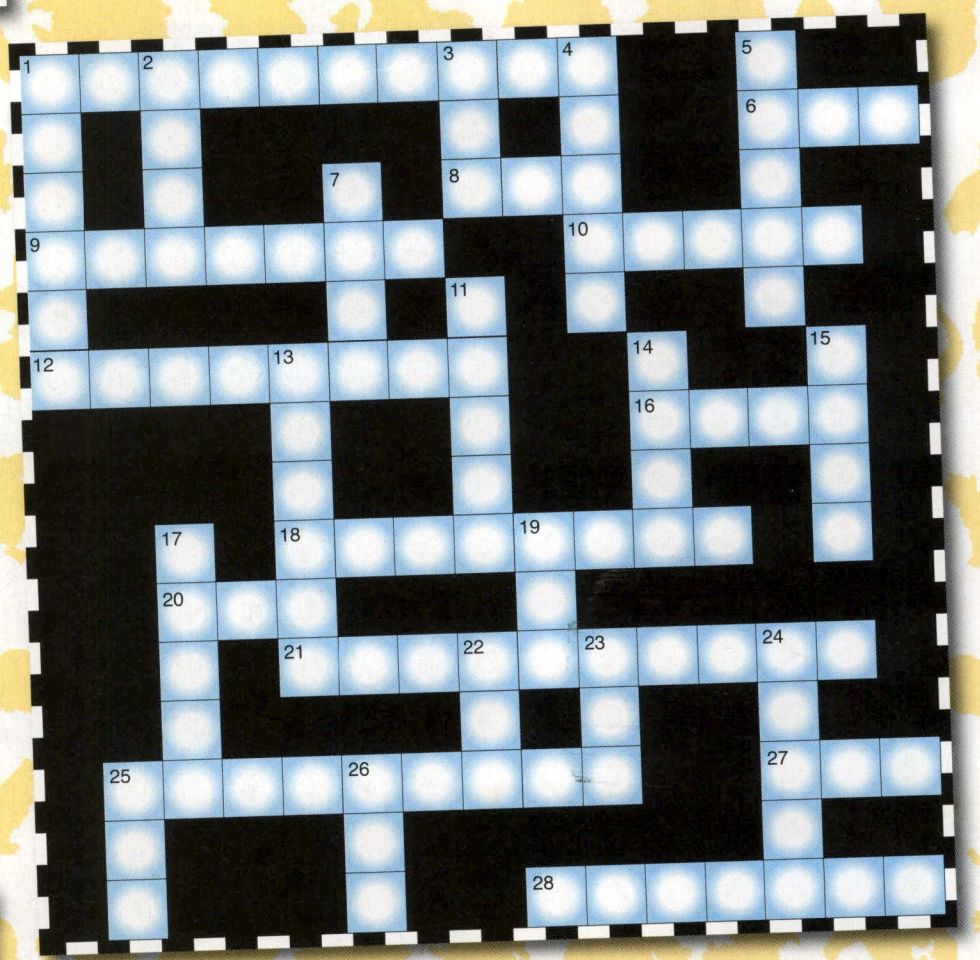
dotty dot to dot

Join up the dots from 1 to 37 then A to Z to see which Pokémon appears before your very eyes!



crazy crossword

Stu Yew has been straining his brain to think up this tricky crossword for you. Can you find all the words?



Across

1. The best Pokéball around (10)
6. Part of your body connected to your ankle (3)
8. TM 28 (3)
9. Trade a Clamperl with Deep Sea Tooth to get this Pokémon (7)
10. An Eskimo lives in this type of house (5)
12. Mr Briney's friendly Wingull evolves into this Pokémon (8)
16. Word you are only likely to say after being injured (4)
18. Final Evolution of Mudkip (8)
20. A Bird that hunts at night (3)
21. Electric Pokémon that looks a bit like a cuddly tiger (10)
25. Water Pokémon that comes first when trying to open the secret tombs (9)
27. Small flying insect that makes honey (3)
28. Shuppet evolves into this Pokémon (7)

Down

1. Fighting Pokémon with huge muscles (6)
2. Your battle top does this (4)
3. The opposite of subtract (3)
4. Pokémon that appears on the cover of Pokémon Silver (5)
5. Grass Pokémon that evolves into Bellossum or Vileplume (5)
7. If you have hurt your ankle, you walk one of these (4)
11. Use this to sweep the floor (5)
13. Electric Pokémon number 80 (6)
14. Noise that lions and tigers make (4)
15. A type of potato food you might eat with fish (4)
17. The Trick ____ on route 110 (5)
19. Animal friend you might take to the vet (3)
22. Beans are sold in these (3)
23. Name of the Pokémon trainer that is really friendly with Pikachu (3)
24. Pokémon that can be found in dark caves and uses sound waves to see (5)
25. Item used to catch water Pokémon in their natural habitat (3)
26. The hat worn by Ash on his many adventures (3)

wonderous wordsearch

B	A	G	S	U	I	C	I	N	E	S	M	E	L
A	M	L	S	A	R	T	I	C	U	N	O	S	L
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This wordsearch has been packed to the brim with weird and wonderful Pokémon. See how many names you can find hidden away!

ace anagrams

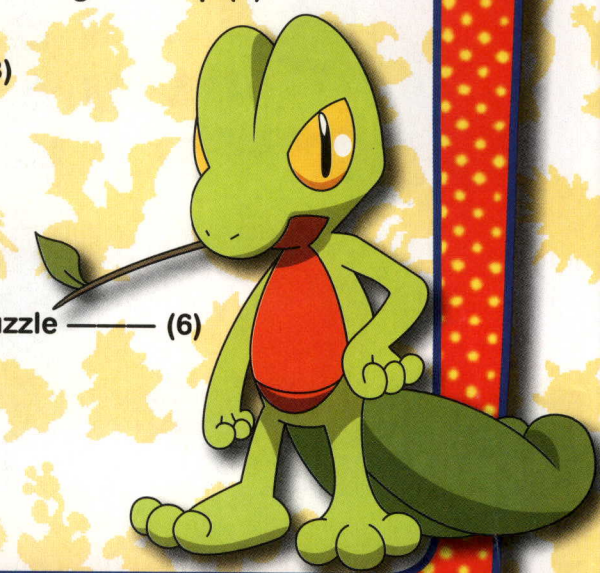
Here are five anagrams. Can you unjumble the letters to find the names of five famous Pokémon?

A NERD CHARM
SAD PIN
AIR TYRANT
GNAT OMEN
LIL' RAM

first letter fumble

Answer the following questions, then insert the first letter of each word into the corresponding square below to reveal the name of a classic game that featured all of our Poké-pals.

1. A famous Walt Disney film about a young boy with a magical lamp (7)
2. An animal that you keep at home and look after. (3)
3. The star of Tomb Raider: —— Croft (4)
4. Pokémon number 2 in the new Pokédex (7)
5. An ancient game for the Nintendo 64: Pokémon Puzzle ——— (6)
6. This rings loudly at the end of school (4)
7. The magical land that Peter Pan visits (9)



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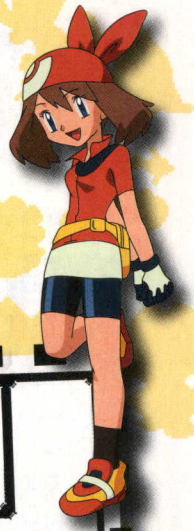
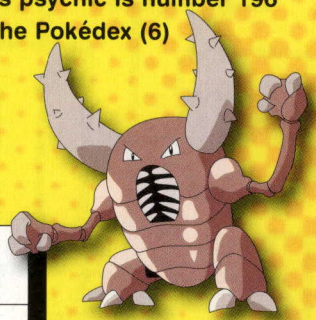
magical mystery maze

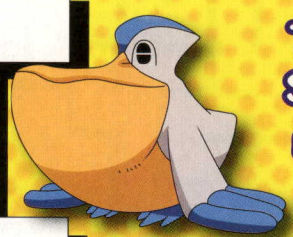
Help! May needs to check out her new Pokémon in the Pokédex, but she's lost it in a monster infested maze. See if you can lend a helping hand...



pesky bug hunt

1. A very brightly coloured tropical bird (6)
2. This Bug-type Pokémon is number 314 in the Pokédex (8)
3. The month in which we celebrate Bonfire Night (8)
4. This Pokémon sounds very noisy! (7)
5. A scary, scaly reptile that's a bit like an alligator (9)
6. If something is unusual, you could say it's out of the (————) (8)
7. A sweet treat made from milk and cocoa beans (9)
8. The first animal that you'll find in the Oxford dictionary (8)
9. A shape with three sides and three corners (8)
10. This Grass/Psychic Pokémon is number 103 in the Pokédex (9)
11. Go to this place to enjoy a meal out (10)
12. This birdlike Pokémon has a very big beak! (8)
13. If someone is a VIP, what does the 'I' stand for? (9)
14. This psychic is number 196 in the Pokédex (6)





There are so many bugs around in the Summer, aren't there? This grid is infested with them. Answer the questions to spell out the names of two bug type Pokémon down the left side, then rearrange the letters in the shaded squares to name a third bug Pokémon in the squares below. The pictures might help!

close up calamity

Professor Yew is very good at many things, but taking photos isn't one of them. Here he's photographed eight Pokémon, but only got a bit of them in each frame. Can you identify them?

I want an ice cream

These three Pokémon love ice cream when they're on the beach, but which flavour is their favourite?

REVIEWS ROUND-UP

ALL THE BEST

POKÉMON

Pokémon Red and Blue

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1

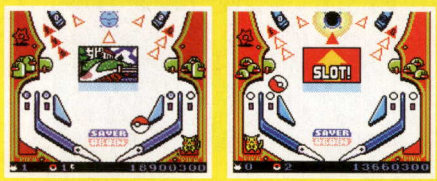
In September 1999, Pokémon arrived in the UK and went on to sell by the bucket load! A small boy is given his first Pokémon by Professor Oak and asked to catch and train all 151 Pokémon to become a Pokémon Master. You must train your monster to fight and then try to outwit the wild Pokémon hiding in long grass and caves.

Summing up: Where it all started: still fun to play today!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Pinball

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1



You're guaranteed serious fun here! The only down side is that rather than following the ball around the table, the on-screen view flips from the top to bottom, which can make you feel queasy when you're concentrating! The combination of monster catching and addictive action is a sure-fire winner though – it was certainly a big hit with us!

Summing up: A great play for pinball and Pokéfans alike!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Trading Card Game

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1

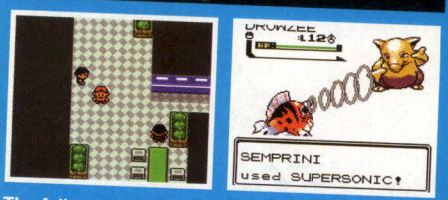
This game includes all the elements of the Wizards card game. Anyone who has played the Trading Card Game will love this Game Board version, as it enables you to practise playing cards without damaging your trophies. For other fans, this could be a great way to learn how to play, but may not be of great interest to all of you Pokémon trainers!

Summing up: All Pokémon trainers need this game!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Gold and Silver

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1



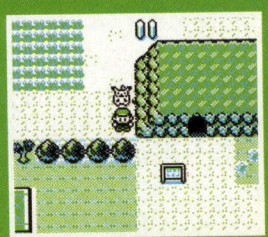
The follow-ups to the hugely successful Red, Blue and Yellow, these fantastic Game Boy titles introduced a whole new world to the budding Pokémon Master – the land of Johto. Players must travel around, as before, catching and training Pokémon, but with exciting new features such as real-time play.

Summing up: The king and queen of Pokémon games!

Score 5/5

Pokémon Yellow

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1



After the success of the cartoon series, Nintendo released this follow-up to the first two games. Pokémon Yellow is similar to Pokémon Red and Blue, only you will receive Pikachu as your very first Pokémon and he will follow you around all the time, like in the cartoon. You will still need to trade to catch 'em all – but other than that, it is almost the same game as Red and Blue.

Summing up: Nearly the same as Red and Blue

Score 4/5

Pokémon Colosseum

Format: GameCube
Issue reviewed: 38

Playing a lot like Pokémon Stadium on the N64 but without the mini-games, Colosseum features what is quite simply, the best battle system and Story mode ever created. Supporting all 386 monsters of the Pokémon world, Colosseum also gives you the chance to catch Jirachi himself. It also doesn't hurt to have the best graphics of any Pokémon game before it!

Summing up: Probably the best Pokémon game yet!

Score 5/5

Pokémon Crystal

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 4

The latest instalment in the Pokémon saga is an alternative edition of Gold and Silver that is, essentially, the ultimate Pokémon GBC game – provided you don't own Gold or Silver. Anyone who does will find it all strangely familiar! However, little enhancements, like animated battle sequences, add to the experience and some Pokémon locations and frequencies have changed, meaning Pokémaniacs will still find this Nintendo gem a sparkling little treat!

Summing up: The last instalment on the GBC is a great way to end the series!

Score 3/5

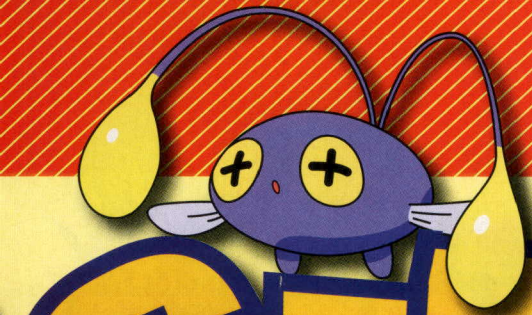
Pokémon Puzzle Challenge

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 8

Pokémon on the Game Boy isn't just about collecting monsters and working out in gyms, you know – oh no! This backwards Tetris-style game has players busting blocks at speed, and is totally and utterly addictive. It's the perfect game to fill the time between monster battling – but are your fingers fast enough?

Summing up: This version of Tetris, the greatest puzzler ever, is great to play!

Score 4/5



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Pokémon Stadium

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue reviewed: 3

The first N64 Pokémon game comes with an attachment to connect the console to the Game Boy. The Transfer Pak enables you to upload your very own captured and trained Pokémon and battle them in full 3D on the N64. There are a wide range of cups and challenges to complete and when you are ready you can take on the Gym Leaders. There are nine mini-games too!

Summing up: Pokémon look great with the N64's graphics!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Snap

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue Reviewed: 3

Snap is a highly enjoyable and surprisingly addictive game for the Nintendo 64, which sees you travelling around photographing wild Pokémon in their habitats. Unfortunately, it's completed just a little too easily. On the plus side though, you have every reason to keep coming back again and again to try and improve your Pokémon pictures!

Summing up: Take photos of all your favourite Pokémon!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Stadium 2

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue reviewed: 7

After the storming success of the first Pokémon Stadium game, this 3D battlefest has now burst on to the Pokémon scene, complete with 249 monsters ready for battle. It follows the same idea as the original, but boasts a whole stack of wacky new features, including new tournaments, brain-busting quizzes and more!

Summing up: A bit too easy, but there's loads of replay value!

Score 4/5

Hey You, Pikachu!

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue reviewed: 4

At the end of the day, the idea of talking to Pikachu is something of a letdown. Our yellow pal seems to find it very hard to understand a lot of what you say and the games that you get to play with him are very simple and ultimately rather dull. Hey You, Pikachu! is a game which is very novel to begin with, and fun for a while, but it quickly becomes boring.

Summing up: Awkward to play and a bit too techie.

Score 3/5

Pokémon Channel

Format: GameCube
Issue reviewed: 37

Although this joyous title is stting in the shadow of Colosseum, there's no denying that it is certainly one of the most original Pokémon videogames of all time! With Pikachu as the main star, the aim of the game is to get the Pokémon TV station up and running. To do this you must play through a whole host of superb games, including Odd One Out, Mareep Farm, Smeargle's Art Study and our personal favourite, Smoochum Shape-Up which sees Pikachu try and burn some calories infront of the telly! It may be similar to the N64's Hey You Pikachu! but there's no denying that this is one brilliant game!

Summing up: A brilliant addition to the Poké-franchise!

Score 5/5

Pokémon Puzzle League

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue reviewed: 5

This N64 Pokémon game will have you bashing your joypad frantically in a move-blocks-or-die puzzlefest to end all puzzlefests. Crazily addictive, this Tetris-inspired game sparked furious rivalries in the normally mild-mannered Pokémon World team, the likes of which haven't been seen since Professor Yew won the egg and spoon race in the office sports day!

Summing up: Incredibly addictive and competitive!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Ruby and Sapphire

Format: Game Boy Advance
Issue Reviewed: 29

After all the waiting, Ruby and Sapphire didn't disappoint. With loads of monsters, two-on-two battles, the new land of Hoenn to explore and many more exciting extras, these are must-have games! So far, only 200 Pokémon are available, but they're all in there somewhere! This is highly recommended for all Pokéfans, and even people who don't like Pokémon might change their minds after playing these games!

Summing up: Fantastic! We can't get enough of them!

Score 5/5

Warning! Some of the older games on these pages might be hard to find, particularly for old systems like the N64. You'll probably have to buy online or do a bit of searching in second-hand videogame stores.

monster of the month

Seadra

Evolution: Evolves to Kingdra

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Type: Water **Height:** 3'11" **Weight:** 55lbs

Special Ability: Poison Point

Description: This seaside-style Pokémon generates whirlpools by spinning its body. The whirlpools are strong enough to swallow even fishing boats! This Pokémon weakens prey with these currents, then swallows whatever it's attacking whole with one gulp! Better watch out for these before swimming!

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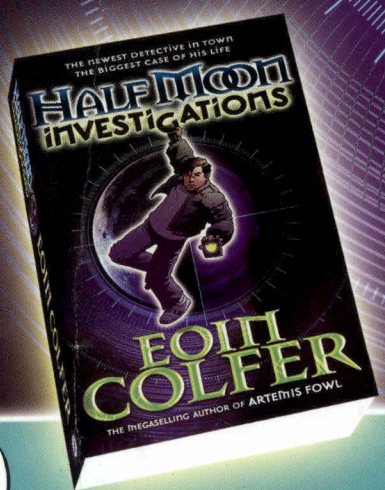
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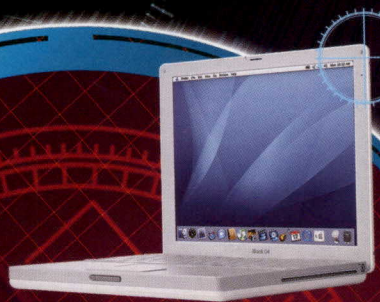

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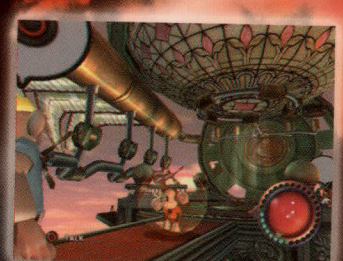

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